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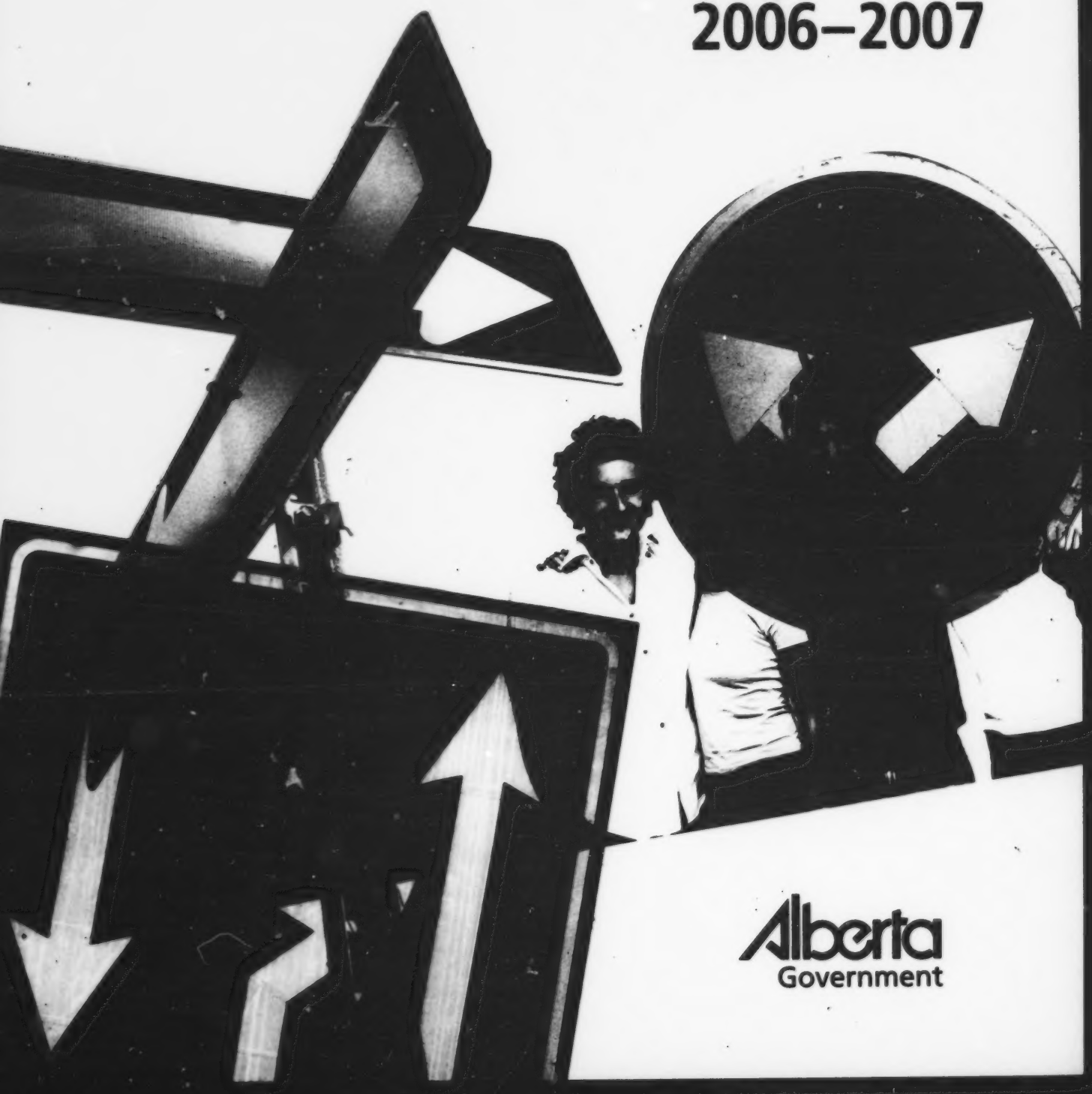

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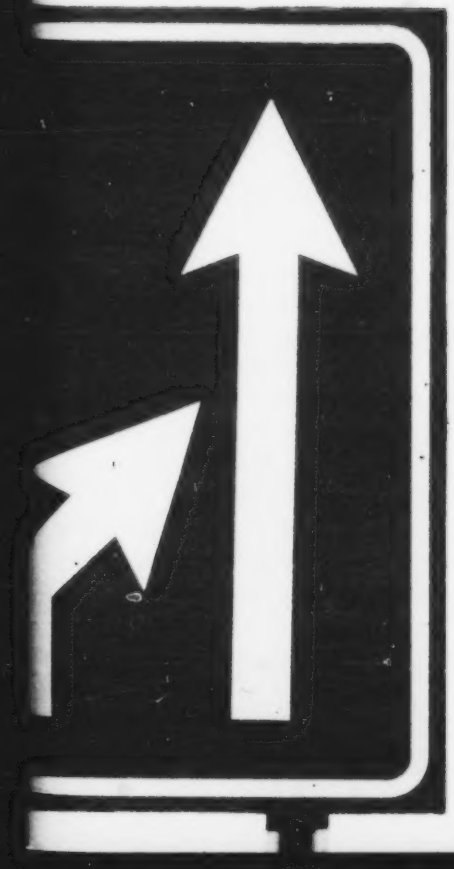

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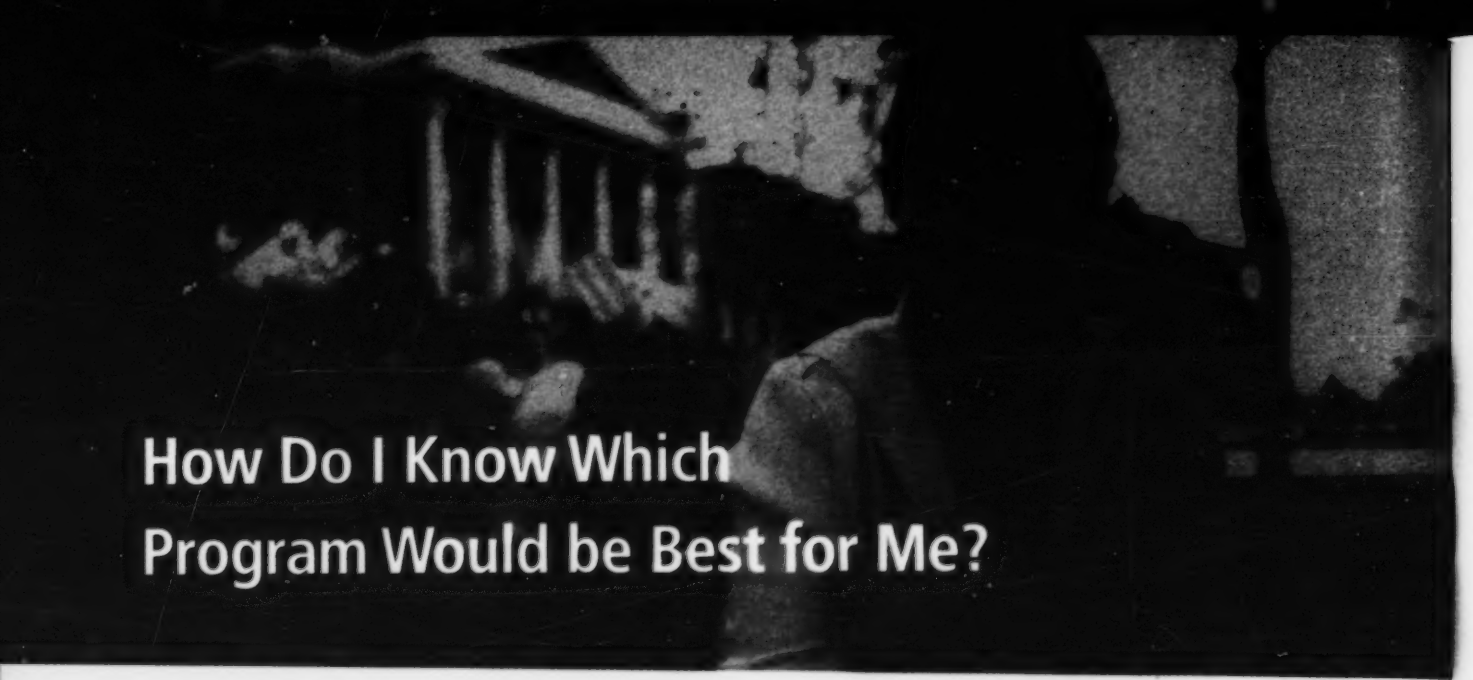

How Do I Know Which Program Would be Best for Me?

A Short Answer

Which program would be best for you depends on your needs and wants and, in particular, what you would like to achieve by taking a post-secondary program.

A Longer Answer

It's true that many people have built satisfying careers after taking a "whatever is closest or easiest" approach to choosing a post-secondary education program. However, it's also true that many people have been disappointed after choosing a program based primarily on what was closest or easiest or what looked interesting in a short write-up. Education is never wasted but it isn't cheap.

A more thoughtful approach to choosing a post-secondary program can save you a lot of time and money.

You don't have to choose a specific occupation, but you do need to have a good idea of:

- what interests you (and what doesn't)
- what you enjoy doing
- what is really important to you
- what your preferences and limits are (e.g. how many years of post-secondary education you are willing or financially able to take).

You already know a lot about your interests, values and preferences. The challenge is to organize that information so you can use it as a measuring stick for deciding which post-secondary program(s) might be a good fit for you.

The Best Answer

Finding the best answer to the question "How do I know which program would be best for me?" takes time but can be a lot of fun. It involves taking a closer look at yourself. This is an important part of planning your future and choosing a learning program that will help build your career. You can build a career that's right for you by developing an overall sense of direction that guides your career decision-making but also changes as you and your circumstances change. In other words:

- know what you want and follow your heart
- be flexible, ready to take advantage of unplanned events
- keep learning new things
- develop and maintain a support system.

Know what you want

You are one of a kind. How much you will enjoy different study and work options depends upon your unique combination of interests, abilities and values. Therefore, to figure out what might be best for you, you need to know what you want. Your core values, beliefs and interests are your guide when it comes to knowing what you want and navigating your career path. Work requirements, occupations and even industries change, but your core values, beliefs and interests tend to be fairly consistent over time. What interests you when you are young will probably still interest you later, although you may refine your interests and add some new ones.

Follow your heart—go after what is really important to you.

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Dream a little

Try this: on a sheet of paper, list all the things you would like to do, have or be in the future. Write down the things you really want, even if they seem impossible or far-fetched. Try using the following questions to help you begin defining your dreams. Don't limit yourself to these few—use them as a jumping off point to get going.

- What do you like to do? For example, do you like to:
  - have a few close friends or lots of acquaintances?
  - be physically active or work at a desk?
  - express yourself in artistic ways?
  - solve problems in creative ways?
  - work with your hands?
  - work with others in a team environment?

If you have strong feelings about what you don't like to do, write them down, too. Sometimes, it's easier to identify what you don't want. Once you've identified what you don't want, turn the statements around to say what you do want.

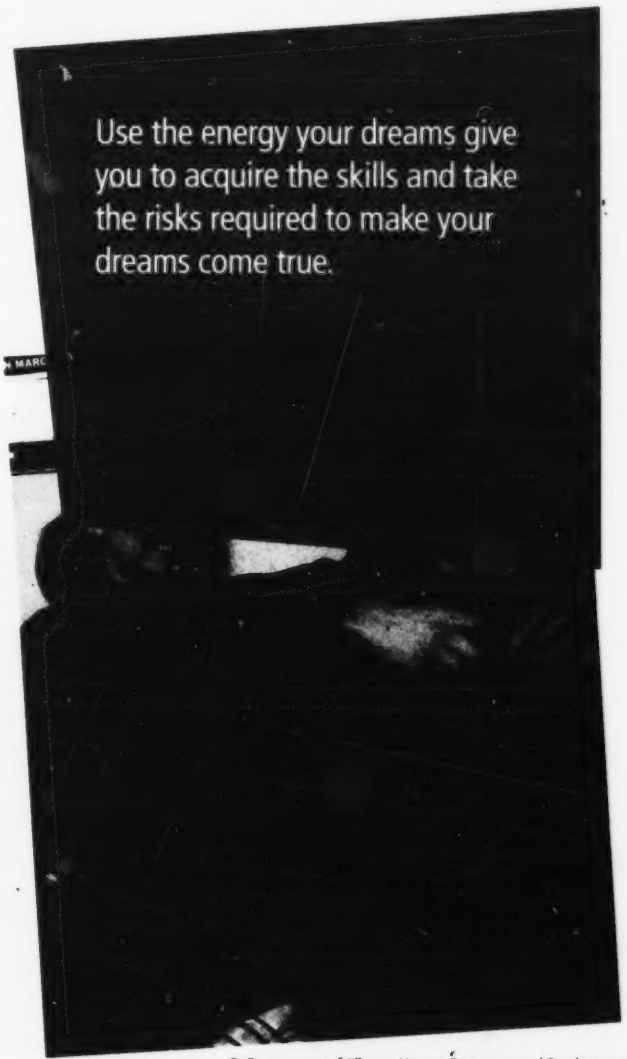
- What can you do well?
- Where do you want to work (e.g. outdoors, near your home, in the city, with a small group of people, in a large organization)?
- What type of lifestyle do you want?
- What motivates you?
  - Does having competition get you going, or do you prefer to compete against yourself?
  - Do you want variety in your work, or would you prefer to know what to expect each day?
  - Do you like to make decisions and act on them, or would you prefer to have someone else make the tough decisions?
  - Do you want to earn a lot of money? If so, how much is "a lot"?
  - Do you want high status work that earns you the respect of others?
  - How important is it to you that your work be personally satisfying?
  - Do you want to be assured of a steady income, or are you willing to take financial risks?
  - How important is it to you to have time for other activities outside of work?
  - Do you want lots of opportunities to learn new things?
  - What else do you think is important and therefore worth working toward (e.g. protecting the environment, standing up for your beliefs)?

You may also want to try some self-assessment exercises that are designed to identify your interests, skills and values (see **Help is nearby** paragraph that follows).

Think about your school, work and volunteer experiences. What do you like about these experiences and how would you like them to be different in the future?

Write a description of the things you want to be a part of your future and use it as a guide when you make career decisions. Keep refining your description as you learn more about yourself.

When you see people working or read about different types of work, ask yourself if you would be interested in doing that kind of work. Then ask yourself why, and add what you learn about yourself to your description of what you want.



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Help is nearby. You can find both self-assessment exercises and information about different types of work:

- on websites such as the Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca** (see the CAREERinsite and OCCinfo features)
- at Alberta Human Resources and Employment service centres and Youth Connections offices
- in career resource centres in junior and senior high schools and post-secondary institutions
- in public and academic libraries (ask the reference librarian for help finding career planning materials)
- among the course materials for Career and Life Management (CALM), a diploma requirement in Alberta high schools
- from the Alberta Career Information Hotline (1-800-661-3753 toll-free in Alberta and (780) 422-4266 in Edmonton; deaf and hard of hearing people call 1-800-232-7215 toll-free in Alberta for message relay service or (780) 422-5283 in Edmonton for TDD service)
- in publications available from Alberta Human Resources and Employment (see **Resources**).

After you have completed some self-assessment exercises and explored a variety of work possibilities, you'll probably find that certain characteristics and types of work keep coming up again and again (e.g. you enjoy artistic, scientific or technical subjects and activities). Those are the characteristics to look for in your future work. Knowing the type of work you're interested in will guide your choice of post-secondary education or training program.

Be flexible

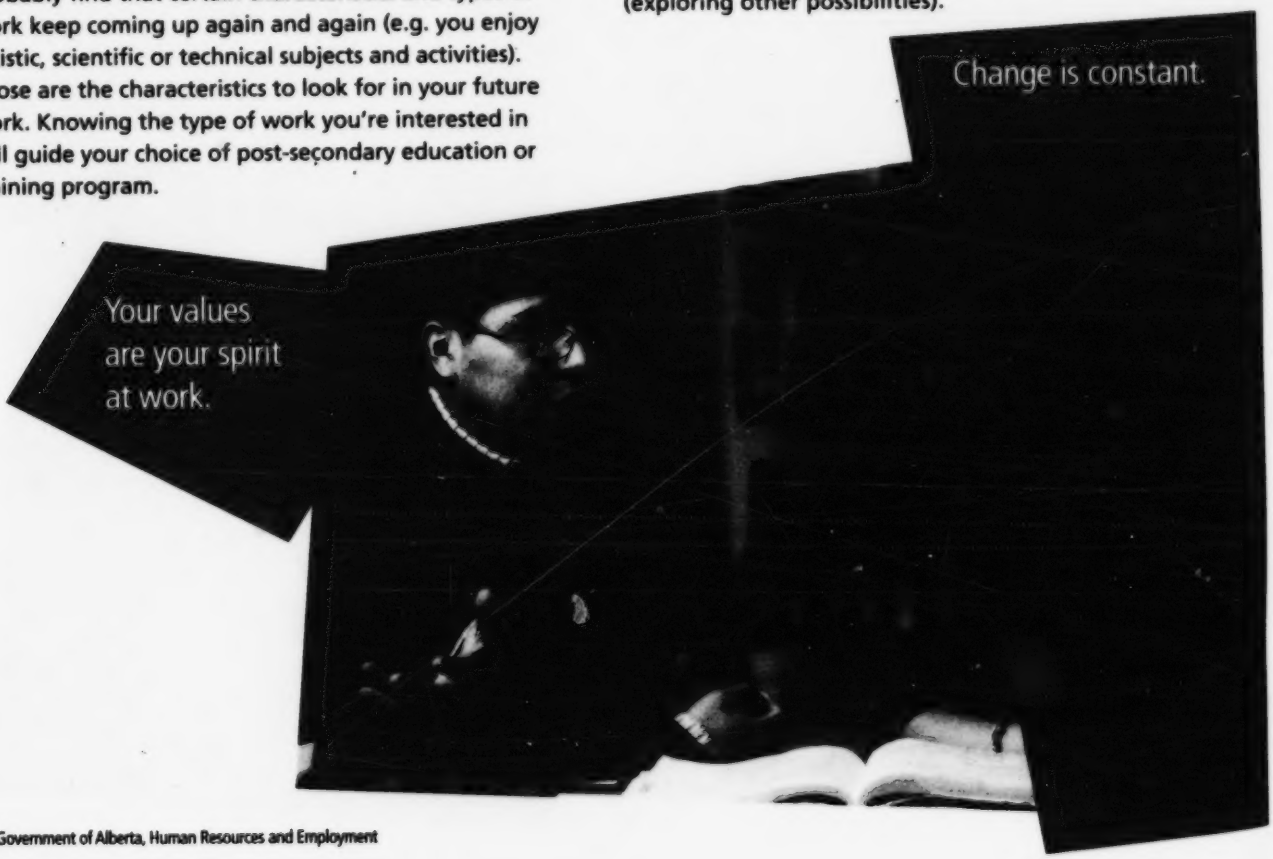
The one thing you can count on is that things will change and keep changing.

Your priorities will change. Over the course of your life you will be making various decisions on whether to move, travel, get married, have children or return to learning.

The world of work will change, too. Rapid technological advances and shifts in the economy will continue to eliminate some types of work and create new ones.

Coping with change often requires taking your career in a different direction or simply exploring new interests. Your career path will probably meander, not move in a straight line toward a specific occupational goal.

Building your career involves both manoeuvring and meandering. To manoeuvre is to be focused and strategic, to decide what you want and how you are going to get there. You can, and sometimes should, meander and manoeuvre at the same time. For example, if you have ever applied for a job or an education program before you were really sure you wanted your application to be successful, you have manoeuvred (taken action on a plan) while you were still meandering (exploring other possibilities).



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Keep exploring and learning

Keep your eyes open and ask questions when you see someone doing work that looks interesting. Check out what they are doing and the training or study required to do that type of work.

Get some experience. Volunteering and part-time work will allow you to:

- get a first-hand look at the work environment in your field of interest
- establish working relationships within that environment
- develop new skills related to work possibilities that interest you
- discover new things about yourself
- meet people who can tell you about their work.

For example, if you think you might like to work in the health-care field, try volunteering in a hospital. You'll find out very quickly if you like to work in that environment, and you will probably meet a variety of people who work in the health-care field (e.g., nurses, medical technologists, physiotherapists, etc.).

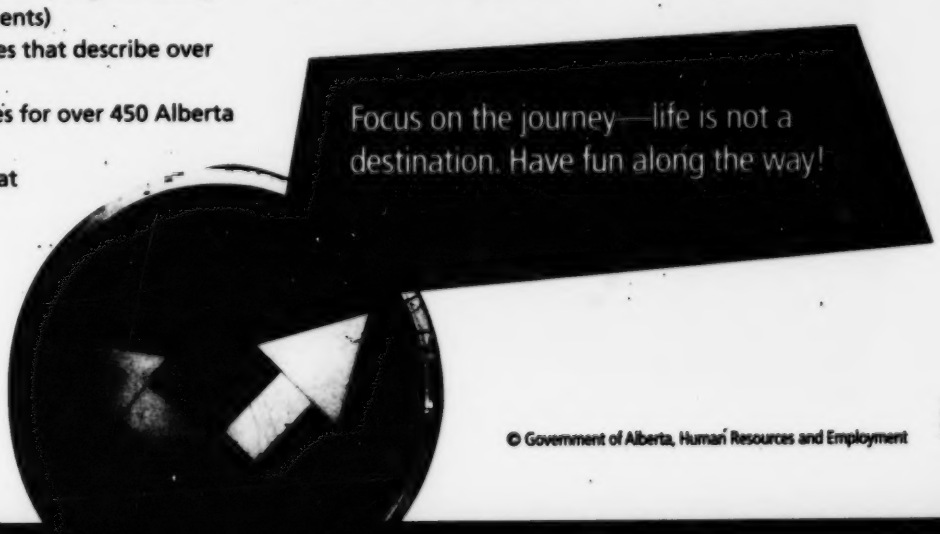
Use the **resource materials** that are available on the Internet, in government and school career counselling offices and at public libraries. For example, the ALIS website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca** includes:

- Career Clips—view over 150 videos of different occupations
- CAREERinsite—on-line career planning information
- CERTinfo—Certification and Registration Requirements for Employment in Alberta lists information for over 60 specific occupations and trades that are cited in legislation and regulations in Alberta
- EDinfo—Post-secondary education program listings (including admission requirements)
- OCCinfo—Occupational profiles that describe over 530 different occupations
- WAGEinfo—Wages and salaries for over 450 Alberta occupations
- links to Internet job boards that will give you an idea of what qualifications employers are looking for.

When you identify a type of work that interests you, try to get a complete picture by asking the following questions:

- What do people in this line of work do day-to-day?
- What are their duties and responsibilities?
- What are the usual working conditions (e.g. outdoor/indoor work, hours of work, travel/overtime requirements, health hazards)?
- What skills are required?
- What type of education is required (e.g. high school, college, technical institute, university, apprenticeship)?
- Is a special licence, certificate, degree or diploma required to do this type of work?
- What training do most people in this type of work have? Were they trained on the job after they were hired? Have they graduated from a particular type of training program? Which training programs are most respected by employers in the field?
- If graduation from a training program is required, where is the training offered? How long does the training take to complete? How much does it cost?
- Are there any special physical, legal or social requirements (e.g. a requirement to travel, the ability to lift heavy sample cases)?
- What are the future employment prospects? What effects will technological developments and social trends have on this type of work? What are the opportunities for movement?
- What is the typical pay range for this type of work?

No matter what type of learning "program" you start out with (learning on the job, apprenticeship, post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree), make sure you add to your store of skills and knowledge throughout your career. The program you choose to start out with will be just that—a starting place.



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Develop a support system

A support system of "allies" can provide information and help when you need it. Your family members, friends, neighbours, school and work associates, sports buddies, friends of friends and professionals such as counsellors, educators and librarians are all your potential allies. These allies can tell you a great deal about the local labour market and may be able to provide advice to help you make career and training choices.

Knowing what you want, being flexible, following your heart and building your supports will help you determine your career direction. Once you have a direction, you'll have a clearer idea of which programs could be the best for you.

Say goodbye to the old idea that you must pick an occupation and stick to your decision. Many jobs of the 21st century haven't been invented yet. Flexibility and adaptability are what you need to get you from here to there, so make sure you get an education "with legs."

Make career connections—team up with others!

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Is Taking a Full-Time Post-Secondary Program the Right Way for Me to Go?

Stay learning—believe in yourself!

Your Learning Style

Do you enjoy learning in a classroom environment, on the job or a combination of both? Many post-secondary institutions give students the opportunity to learn both in the classroom and on the job by:

- offering programs that include work experience components (for example, clinicals, practica, residencies, internships)
- offering co-operative education programs that alternate periods of classroom learning with periods of paid on-the-job training or work experience
- participating in designated apprenticeship or occupational training programs administered by Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training.

If you prefer to learn primarily through experience, you might want to explore the possibility of acquiring the skills and knowledge you want by training on the job. Of course, on-the-job training is feasible only in some occupations.

For example, learning on the job is not an option for dentists or dental hygienists, but it is a possibility for dental assistants. Several post-secondary institutions offer training programs for dental assistants, but it is also possible to learn on the job and work towards provincial registration and national certification as a Registered Dental Assistant through specified continuing education courses.

Likewise, people who want to become hotel managers may:

- work their way up by starting in entry-level positions in the hospitality industry and, by taking related continuing education courses, advance to more responsible positions
- enrol in a related post-secondary program and acquire experience in the hospitality industry either during their studies or after they graduate from the program.

Trade Apprenticeship and Occupation Training

These programs allow people who are interested in a career in a designated trade or occupation to earn a salary while learning on-the-job skills necessary to achieve a recognized journeyman or occupational certificate. In Alberta, there are over 51 apprenticeship trades and six designated occupations.

Apprenticeship programs combine on-the-job training with technical training that is most often delivered in a classroom at an approved training provider. Occupation training programs consist either of formal training or work experience, or a combination of both. Job skills and competencies, as well as the performance standards and training programs for each designated trade and occupation, are defined by industry and approved under the Apprenticeship and Industry Training Act.

To learn the skills and competencies of an Alberta **designated trade**, individuals must first find a qualified employer who is willing to hire and train them throughout their apprenticeship program. They then register as an apprentice by submitting a completed Apprenticeship Application/Contract, signed by both the apprentice and employer, to the nearest Apprenticeship and Industry Training office. Apprenticeship training programs last from one to four years, depending on the trade.

To learn the skills and competencies of a **designated occupation** in Alberta, individuals may either register themselves as trainees or first master the skills and competencies required and then apply to have those skills and competencies assessed for certification. Occupational training programs last from one to two years, depending on the specific occupation.

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For more information about designated trades and occupations in Alberta and how to become a registered apprentice or trainee, please check with one or more of the following information sources:

- visit the Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training website at **www.tradesecrets.gov.ab.ca**
- call the Alberta Career Information Hotline at 1-800-661-3753 toll-free in Alberta and (780) 422-4266 in Edmonton and ask for the Apprenticeship and Industry Training office nearest you. Deaf and hard of hearing people call 1-800-232-7215 toll-free in Alberta for message relay service or (780) 422-5283 in Edmonton for TDD service.

Alberta Green Certificate Program

This certificate is offered by Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development, in partnership with Alberta farm businesses and Alberta Education. It operates as a worksite-based skills development program for people interested in careers in agriculture at the technician, supervisor or farm manager levels. Specializations include Cow-Calf, Feedlot, Dairy, Beekeeping, Swine, Sheep, Crops and Irrigated Crops. Those completing the Green Certificate technician level qualify for 16 or more high school credits. High school credits can be obtained for this program by taking the Green Certificate course as an off-campus education program, similar to work experience courses. In addition there are articulation agreements between the Green Certificate program and three agriculture diploma-granting colleges (Lakeland College, Lethbridge Community College and Olds College) and with NAIT's Fairview campus. These agreements allow students to learn the application of agriculture science and technology in the work world before, during or after completing academic programs at these colleges.

Green Certificate Program representatives are located in each of the five regions: Fairview, Westlock, Lethbridge, Olds and Vermilion. For more information, visit **www.agric.gov.ab.ca/greencertificate**

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Your Personal Circumstances

If you can't attend a program full-time, are there other ways to take the program? Yes! Many post-secondary institutions allow students to enrol part-time or to take all or some program requirements by distance education.

Part-time studies are an option worth considering if you cannot make the financial or time commitments required to attend a post-secondary education program full-time. Part-time studies are also a good way to try out a program to make sure it meets your needs and wants before you commit to full-time studies. However, succeeding at part-time studies requires persistence and careful planning. It takes determination to continue taking courses long after the full-time students you started with have finished the program. Completing program requirements may also require juggling your schedule to take required courses at the times they are offered.

Distance education programs and courses come to you instead of you going to them.

The words "distance education," "distance learning," "correspondence," "homes study" and "independent study" have almost identical meanings. They describe situations where most or all of the learning occurs outside the traditional classroom. In many cases, students and teachers may never even meet.

Generally, distance learning materials are mailed to the student. After completing the assignment, the student returns them to the school for correction, grading, and comment. Corrected assignments are sent back to the student. This exchange forms the link between student and instructor. Many post-secondary schools offer the services of a tutor for distance learning programs. Tutors help students understand course content, discuss exams and assignments, and schedule workshops/seminars, lab sessions, or discussion and self-help groups.

In addition to submitting assignments, students may be expected to:

- listen to radio programs or audio tapes
- watch television programs, films or video tapes
- surf the Internet
- participate in teleconferencing sessions
- communicate with instructors and other students by telephone or via the Internet.

An increasing number of post-secondary institutions are offering distance education programs to give students more freedom and flexibility in their studies. However, some may not offer complete programs by distance education, and those students may need to take the remaining courses in their program on campus. In some cases, students must transfer the credits they earn in a partial program to another post-secondary school which offers the distance education courses needed to complete the program. To research this possibility you can get a free copy of the *Alberta Transfer Guide* or additional transfer information from:

Alberta Council on Admissions and Transfer (ACAT)
11th Floor Commerce Place
10155–102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4L5
Phone: (780) 422-9021 or 310-0000 (toll free)
Fax: (780) 427-0423
E-mail: acat@gov.ab.ca
Website: **www.acat.gov.ab.ca**

Finishing a distance education program requires considerable self-discipline as well as the ability to work with relatively little supervision and support. EDinfo offers information about distance learning programs in western Canada. To use this on-line resource, visit the ALIS website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca/edinfo**

For more information see the **Contacts** section for:

- an Alberta Human Resources and Employment service centre
- a Youth Connections office
- the Alberta Career Information Hotline
- the Alberta Council on Admissions and Transfer (ACAT).

Co-operative education programs combine study with work experience in fields such as business, industry, government and social services.

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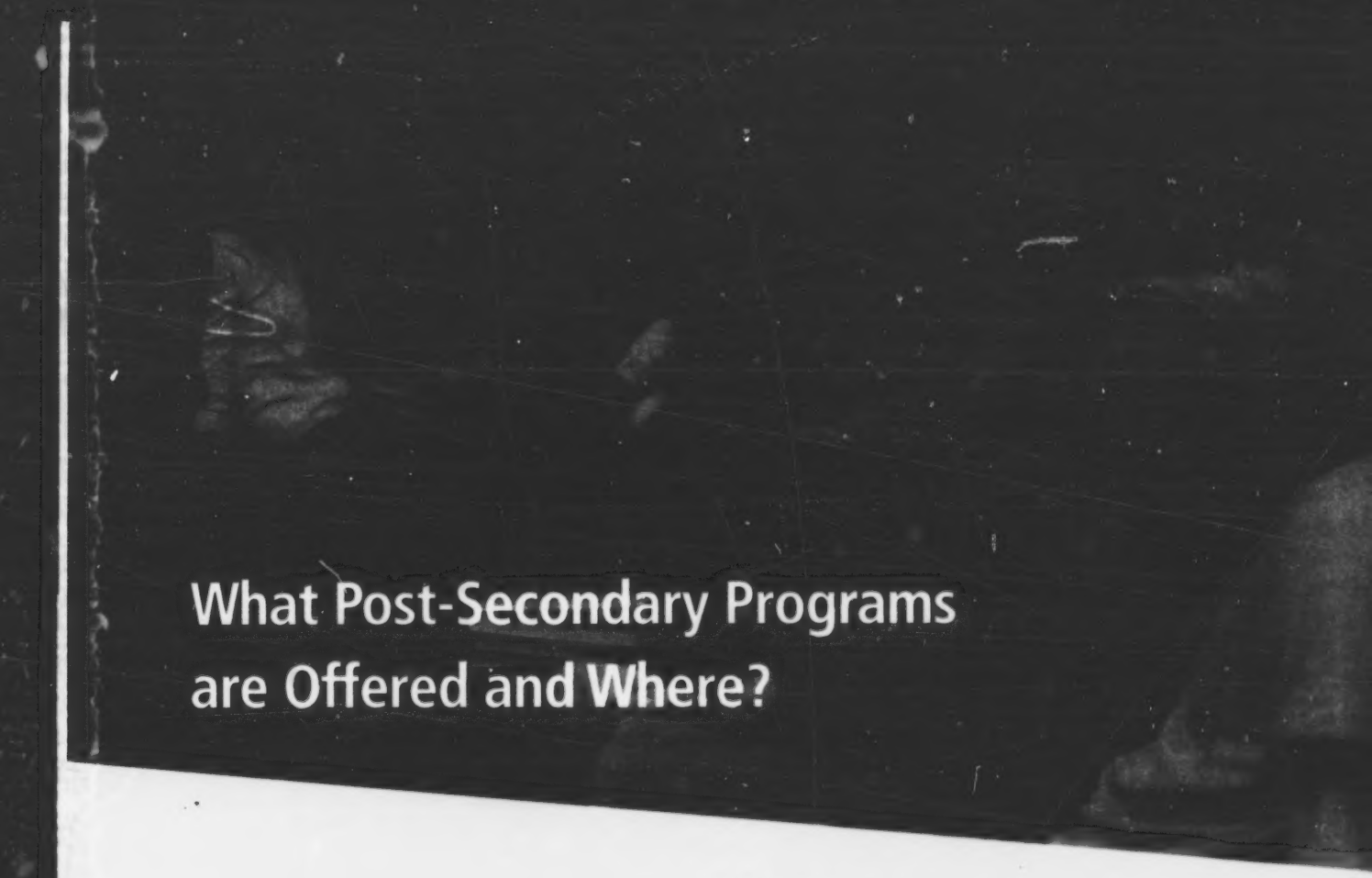

What Post-Secondary Programs are Offered and Where?

Certificate, Diploma, Applied Degree, Degree…What's the Difference?

People sometimes use terms such as certificate, diploma, applied degree and degree to mean the same thing. However, there are some important differences in the way these words are used in Alberta's post-secondary education system.

Alberta Journeyman Certificate programs

Apprenticeship programs

- are available in 51 designated trades in Alberta
- involve registered apprentices completing a specified number of on-the-job training hours and periods of technical training at an approved training provider, followed by the successful completion of industry examinations
- enable certified journeymen and completing apprentices who successfully write an Interprovincial Standards (Red Seal) exam to work in other Canadian jurisdictions where the designation is recognized.

Alberta Occupational Certificate programs

The six designated occupations have varied requirements for certification based on industry standards. Formal training requirements are the responsibility of industry and may be provided through one or more of the public institutions or private providers.

For more information on specific designated occupations, visit the trades and occupations website at **www.tradesecrets.gov.ab.ca**

Certificate programs

- prepare students for entry into specific occupations
- involve one year or less of full-time, hands-on study at a college or technical institute
- require completion of some high school studies (often specified grade levels and subjects) for admission.

Exception:
Universities also offer a variety of certificate programs. These certificate programs, composed of university-level courses, may require high school graduation, some post-secondary education or mature student status for admission.

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Diploma programs

- prepare students for employment in a particular field or group of occupations
- involve two years of full-time, applied study at a college or technical institute
- require high school graduation (often with specified grades and subjects) for admission.

Exceptions:

- Many colleges also offer general studies or liberal arts programs at the diploma level.
- University-level diploma programs involve the equivalent of one year of academic study beyond a bachelor's degree and may be applicable to related master's degree programs.

Applied Degree programs

- provide enhanced career preparation that applies to a broader range of career and employment opportunities beyond entry-level in an industry
- are offered by some public colleges and technical institutes
- are four-year programs (usually a two-year diploma plus two additional years) consisting of six semesters (about three years) of academic studies and at least two semesters (about one year) of related paid, supervised work experience in the industry
- have admission requirements that may be similar to those of diploma programs. In addition, completion of a related diploma program may be a prerequisite for admission to an applied degree program.

Bachelor's Degree programs

- are offered by universities, selected colleges, and private institutions authorized to offer accredited degree programs
- involve the equivalent of three or four years of full-time study (the length of program varies by discipline and by institution)
- generally have entrance requirements that include a minimum average in specified Grade 12 subjects, including English 30. Admission to faculties with enrolment limits may require marks higher than the specified minimum average.

Exception:

Athabasca University has an open admissions policy for students 16 years of age and older.

Master's Degree programs

- involve a minimum of two years of full-time university study beyond the bachelor's degree level (there are time limits for completing degree requirements)
- require a completed bachelor's degree for admission. Applicants who have a three-year undergraduate (bachelor's) degree are generally required to complete an additional qualifying year
- may require completion of a thesis or a course-based (non-thesis) program.

Doctoral Degree programs

- require two or three years of full-time university study and research beyond the master's degree level (there are time limits for completing degree requirements)
- involve planning and carrying out high quality research to advance knowledge in the student's major field of study
- include the preparation and defence of a dissertation on an approved topic.

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Programs Chart

You can use the following Alberta post-secondary education programs chart to find out:

- which publicly funded institutions offer programs of interest to you
- how long it takes to complete each program if you attend full-time
- the type of credential you earn when you graduate from the program (for more information, see the **Certificate, Diploma, Applied Degree, Degree...What's the Difference?** section).

Only institutions that are funded by the provincial government or have accredited degree programs are included.

How to read the chart

The chart lists various programs of study available through post-secondary institutions in Alberta.

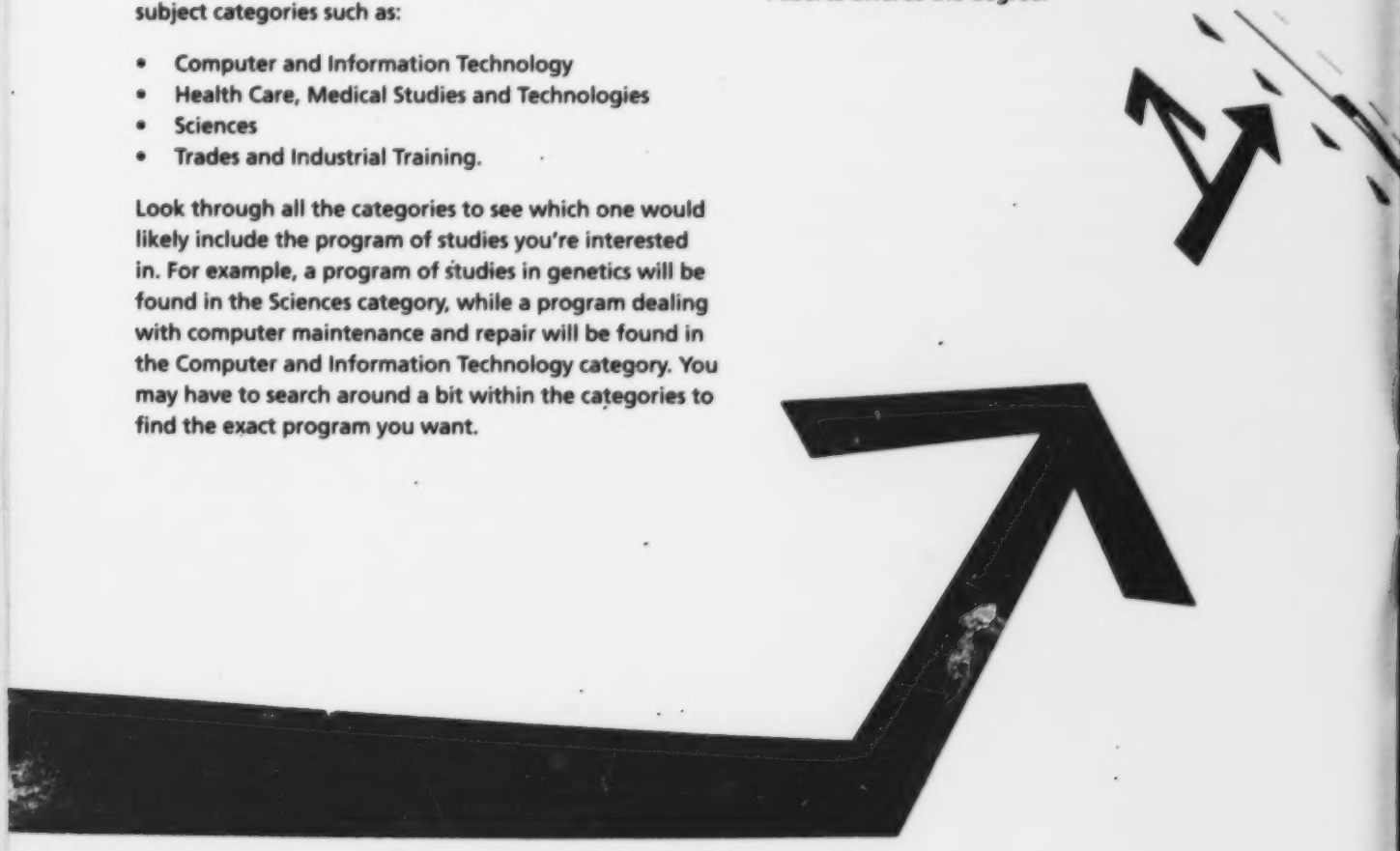
The post-secondary programs are grouped into broad subject categories such as:

- Computer and Information Technology
- Health Care, Medical Studies and Technologies
- Sciences
- Trades and Industrial Training.

Look through all the categories to see which one would likely include the program of studies you're interested in. For example, a program of studies in genetics will be found in the Sciences category, while a program dealing with computer maintenance and repair will be found in the Computer and Information Technology category. You may have to search around a bit within the categories to find the exact program you want.

Collaborative programs

Programs marked with a number sign (#) are collaborative programs. These are programs that are offered by two (or more) institutions working together. Often, one institution does not have the mandate or program approval to offer a program that awards a particular type of credential but does have government approval to offer the beginning portion of such a program. The other institution offers the entire program and/or the completion portion of the program. Depending on the collaborative arrangement, students may attend classes at either institution or take the beginning portion at one institution and complete the program at the other institution. For example, students in the collaborative Bachelor of Nursing program offered by Red Deer College and the University of Alberta can complete all of their degree requirements in the city of Red Deer. Red Deer College offers its own courses for the first, second and third years of the program. Fourth year courses are offered by the University of Alberta but are taken at the Red Deer College campus. The University of Alberta awards the degree.



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institutions prior to printing the chart in the summer of 2006. Please check with the institution to confirm program information and to seek additional information before making your educational plans.

Code

A	Applied Degree
B	Bachelor's Degree (4 years)
C	Certificate (1 year or less)
D	Diploma (2 years)
DDS	Dentistry
LLB/LLM	Law
M	Master's Degree
MD	Medicine
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Academic Upgrading, Pre-Careers and English as a Second Language									
Academic Upgrading (Grades K–12), includes Aboriginal Upgrading, Academic Foundations 2 & 3, Adult Basic Education, Ben Calf Robe, Career & Academic Preparation, Literacy, Reading Network, and Speech Assisted Reading & Writing - SARAW		V, C5m, C	V		V	V		V	V
Academic Upgrading (Grades10–12), includes Academic Foundations 4, Career & Academic Preparation, GED Exam, and GED Preparation		V, C5m							
English as a Second Language, includes English for Academic Purposes, English for Advanced Communication, English Language Studies, ESL Intensive, and LINC, TOEFL, TOEIC, and TSE Preparation		V, C10w	V	V, C17w		C	C4m	V	C3m
Job Readiness and Life Skills, includes Career Advantage, Career Development, Connecting to College & Careers, Employability Skills, Employment Preparation, New Directions, New Worlds for Women, and Skills for Success		C			C		V	V, C6w	
Transitional Vocational Preparation, includes Employment Assistance Program, and Literacy Skills					C	C			V
University or College Preparation, includes Academic Upgrading, Artstream, College Preparation, Pre-Business, Pre-Careers, Pre-Engineering, Pre-Technology, Preparation for Academic & Career Education, and University & College Entrance Program (UCEP)		C15w		C14w	V, C4m		V	C14w	V
Agriculture and Related Technology									
Agricultural Business, includes Agri-Business, Agricultural/Food Business Management, Agricultural Entrepreneurship, Agricultural Finance, Landscape Management, Meat Processing, and Bachelor of Applied Science						Dt			
Agricultural Production, includes Agricultural Technology, Agricultural Production and Management, Agro-Environmental Technology, Crop & Agri-food Technology, Dairy Production, General Agriculture, and Livestock Production						C4m, C, D, Dt	Dt		
Agriculture, includes Agricultural Biotechnology, Agricultural Studies, Animal Science Technology, Crop Science, Range & Pasture Management, and Sustainable Agricultural Systems						Dt		t	
Animal Health Technology						Dt			
Equine Studies, includes Coaching & Riding, Equine Science, Farrier Science, Groom Training, Horse Training, Horsemanship, Ranch & Feedlot Rider, and Western Rider						C			
Horticultural Operations, includes Commercial Floristry, Horticulture Technician, Landscape Gardener*, and Prairie Horticulture Certificate (PHC)								C	
Turfgrass Management, includes Golf Course Turfgrass Management Technology, Irrigation Technician, Precision Applicator Technician, Sportsfield/Parks Technician, and Turfgrass Management									
Veterinary Medicine University Transfer									
Aviation and Related Technology									
Aviation, includes Pilot Training								D	D
Aviation Technology, includes Aircraft Maintenance Engineers Technology, Aircraft Skin & Structures Repair, Aircraft Structures Technician, and Avionics Engineering Technology									

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Business and Administrative Studies									
Aboriginal programs, includes Aboriginal Entrepreneurship, and Aboriginal Leadership & Management					C				
Accounting, includes Accelerated Accounting, Accounting & Strategic Measurement, and Bachelor of Applied Business Administration - Accounting				C, D, A		Dt		Dt	A
Business and Management (Certificates), includes Conflict Management, Entrepreneurship, Grocery Retail, Leadership Development, Lean Manufacturing, Operations Management, Project Management, Purchasing, Quality Assurance, Science & Technology Management, Supervisory Development, Supply Chain, and Venture Online		C	C		Ct	C			C
Business and Management (Diplomas) includes Administration des Affaires, and Small Business & Entrepreneurship			Dt		Dt	Dt	Dt	Dt	D
Business and Management (Degree and Graduate or Senior Executive), includes Applied Business, Commerce, Operations Management, Post-Diploma Management, and Project Management			#B						A
Business and Management, University Transfer			t	t	t			t	t
Communications in the Workplace, includes Facilitator Seminar Series, Group Facilitation Skills, and Professional Speaking									C
Construction Administration, includes Construction Estimating, and Site Manager									
Finance and Financial Services, includes Bachelor of Applied Financial Services, Canadian Investment Funds, Canadian Securities Course, and Certified Financial Planner		C	C24h			Dt, A		Dt	C39h, C, A
Health Administration, includes Health & Society, Health Development, and Health Promotion Studies									
Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism Management, includes Global Tourism & Marketing, Golf Management, Hotel & Resort Management, and Hotel & Restaurant Management			D	D1y, D, Dt			C	C, D	
Human Resource Management, includes Labour Relations, and Organizational Dynamics		C100h		Dt	C	C			C
Human Services and Public Administration, includes Child Studies, and Management Development for Police Services				A					A
Insurance and Risk Management, includes Business Administration and Insurance, and Insurance - Life License Qualification Program (LLQP)				Dt					C52h, D
International Business, includes Asia Pacific Management, Forum for International Trade Training (FITT), International Business & Supply Chain Management, and Logistics Management				C, D, Dt, A					C, D, A
Marketing and Sales, includes Automotive Marketing, Professional Sales, and Sales Assistant								D	C
Petroleum Land Management, includes Land Administration, Land Agent, Petroleum Joint Venture Analyst, and Petroleum Land Contract & Administration									C

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Real Estate Sales and Management, includes Appraisal & Assessment, Mortgage Agents' Program, Property Management 1000, and Real Property Administrator						Dt			V, C
Volunteer, Arts, Cultural, and Not-for-Profit Management, includes Fundraising Management, and Heritage Resource Management				C					C, A
Clerical and Administrative Support									
Accounting and Payroll Support, includes Accounting Technician, Applied Banking & Business, Bookkeeping, Office Accounting Systems, Oil & Gas Accounting (CAPPA), and Payroll Management		C, D				C			C
Dental Business Assistant		C21w							
Legal Support, includes Legal & Realtime Reporting, and Legal Assistant		C, D		Dt					
Medical Office Support, includes Health Information Management, Medical Office Assistant, Medical Secretary, Medical Terminology, and Medical Transcription		C22w, C		C					C
Medical Unit Clerk, includes Admitting Clerk		C16w, C21w	C18w				C19w		
Customer Relations, and Emergency Communication & Response				C				C	
Ophthalmic Assistant									
Office Support and Administration, includes courses in computer operation, office software, word processing, office management, office technology, and related office skills		C, Ct	C, D1yt, Dt	C	C4m, Ct, Dt	Ct	Ct, Dt	C, D	C
Records and Information Management									
Veterinary Office Support						C			
Communications, Journalism and Related Studies									
Cinema, Radio, and Television Arts and Technologies, includes Broadcast Technology, Broadcasting, Radio & Television, and Radio Television Broadcast News									D
Communications and Writing, includes Communications Arts, Communications in Professional Writing, Communications & Technology, Technical Writing, Writing & Editing, and Writing & Publishing				D, A			Dt		C, A
Desktop Publishing and Pre-Press Technician		C							C
Journalism				Dt				t	
Photography, includes Photographic Technology									
Public Relations and Events Management		C		Dt		C			C
Visual Communications and Graphic Arts Technologies, includes Design Foundations, Design Studies, Digital Graphics Communications, Graphic Communications, and Graphic Sign Arts				C, D				C, D3y, A	

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Computer and Information Technology									
Computer Science, includes Computer/E-Management Information Systems			t, #B	t					t
Computer Service Technician and Help Desk Support, includes A+ Certification, Computer Hardware & Maintenance, and Computer Support Technician		C2m, C				#C		C	
Computer Systems Analyst, includes Computer Information Systems, Linux, Linux & Open Source, Object Oriented Software, Programming, and Systems Development					C, Dt	C	Dt	C, D	C
Computer Systems Security Analyst, includes Network Security		C							
Computer Engineering Technology, includes Electronic Systems Technology			C, D			C			
Database Administrator									
Information Technology Management, includes Business Operations, Systems Management, and Technology Infrastructure Management									
Network Engineering Technology, includes Electronics & Network Technology									
Network Specialists and Web Technicians, includes Corporate Network, Linux Administrator, Network Certification, Practical Networking, and Windows Server		C							
Web and Multimedia Design and Development, includes Digital Arts & Media, Digital Imaging, Flash MX, Gaming, Interactive Media Design, New Media, Web Designer, and Web Developer		C		Dt			Dt		C
Driver Education									
Driver Training, includes Air Brake, Class 1 (Tractor/Trailer), Class 2 (School Bus), and Class 3 (Single Unit 3-Axle Truck)			V		C3w, C4w	V, C12w			
Education and Library Studies									
Adult Education and Workplace Learning, includes Adult & Continuing Education, Adult & Higher Education, Adult Educator, Adult Learning, and Becoming a Master Instructor									C
Distance Learning, includes Distance Education, Distance Education Technology, eLearning, and Learning in Virtual Environments									
Education, K–12, includes Elementary and Secondary Education, Educational Policy, Educational Psychology, Educational Research, and Technology Education									
Education, K–12, French									
Education, K–12, University Transfer			t	t	t			t	t
Library and Information Studies, includes Library Information Technology, and Library Office Assistant				Dt					
Teacher Assistant, includes Educational Assistant, and Special Needs Teacher Assistant		C	C	C	C	Ct	C	C, D1y	
Teaching English as a Second Language, includes ACE TESOL, and Teaching English Abroad		C6w							C100h

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Engineering, includes specializations in Biomedical, Chemical, Civil, Communications, Computer, Control Systems, Digital Systems, Electrical, Electrical Power, Electronics, Engineering Physics, Geomatics, Manufacturing, Materials, Mechanical, Mining, Oil & Gas, Oil Sands, Petroleum, and Software			t	t	t				t
Engineering and Science Technologies									
Automated Systems and Instrumentation Technology, includes Automated Systems Engineering Technology, Distributed Control System (DCS) Applications, Instrument Technician*, Instrumentation Engineering Technology, PLC Control Applications, and Pre-Employment Instrument Technician									
Computer-Aided Drafting and Design (CAD/CADD), includes Architectural Drafting, AutoCAD, AutoCAD Animation, CADD-Technical Illustrator, MicroStation CADD, Municipal Drafting, Piping Drafting, and Steel Detailer*		C						Ct, D	
Engineering and Science Technologies, includes Architectural, Biomedical, Building Environment Systems, Chemical, Civil, Construction, Electrical, Electrical Design, Electronics, Engineering Design & Drafting, General Technology Studies, Geological, Landscape Architectural, Materials, Mechanical, and Mechanical Design Technology							Dt		
Geographic Information Systems (GIS), includes Advanced GIS Topics, Bachelor of Applied Technology GIS, Computer Science & GIS, GIS Applications Development, GIS Basics, GIS Data Matters, GIS Field Studies, GIS Fundamentals, GIS Management, GIS Project Management, and GIS Technology									
Geomatics/Surveying, includes Geomatics Engineering Technology, and Survey Theory & Calculations							Dt		
Petroleum Engineering Technology, includes Bachelor of Applied Technology, Exploration Information Technology, Petroleum Geological Applications, Petroleum Geophysical Applications, and Upstream Petroleum Industry									
Telecommunications, includes Communication Technician*, Telecommunications Engineering Technology, and Telecommunications Technology									
Environment, Forestry and Related Studies									
Environmental and Conservation Sciences, includes Ecology, and Environmental Sciences/ Native Studies Combined							Dt	D	
Environmental Management, includes Conservation Enforcement, Environmental Conservation & Reclamation, Environmental Protection Technology, Industrial Ecology, Land & Water Resources, Mountain Culture, and Resources & the Environment						Dt, A	A	t	A
Environmental Technology, includes Biological Sciences Technology, Conservation & Restoration Ecology, Fish & Wildlife Technology, and Water & Wastewater Technician					D	Dt	Ct		C

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Forestry and Forest Business Management			A					t	
Forest Technology, includes Forest Technician									
Fine Arts and Performing Arts									
Art and Design, includes Aboriginal Arts, Art History, Ceramics, Drawing, Fibre, Fine Arts, Glass, Jewellery & Metals, Media & Visual Arts, Painting, Photography, Print Media, Sculpture, Visual Arts, and Visual Communications Design	B		t, C, Dt	Dt	Dt			t	V
Dance									
Drama, Motion Picture and Theatre Arts, includes Banff PlayRites Colony, Film & Video Production, Screenwriting, Technical Theatre, and Theatre Design				D, Dt	Dt				D
Interdisciplinary Arts Residencies									
Music, includes Church Music, Music Acoustic, Music & Sound, Opera, and Voice			t, Dt	V, Dt	Ct, Dt				D
Music and Art Digital Technologies, includes Audio, Banff New Media, Creative Electronic Environment, Digital Sound & Music, and Music – Interactive Digital Design	B		Dt						
Music Instrument Repair					D				
General Studies									
General Studies, includes Arts, Arts – Integrated Studies, Arts & Sciences, Arts & Sciences (French), Educational Travel, Liberal Arts, Open Studies, and University Transfer			t	C, D		t	C, D	t	t, #B
Health Care, Medical Studies and Technologies									
Dental Support, includes Dental Assisting, Dental Hygiene, Dental Technology, and Denturist Technology									
Dentistry and Orthodontics, includes Pre-Professional University Transfer								t	
Emergency Medical Services Technology, includes Bachelor of Applied Emergency Services, Emergency Medical Responder (EMR), Emergency Medical Technician – Ambulance (EMT-A) and Paramedic (EMT-P)			C		C, D	A		D3y, A	
Hearing Aid Practitioner				Dt					
Holistic Health, includes Acupressure, Acupuncture, Aromatherapy, Feng Shui, Massage Therapy, and Reflexology				D, D3y		C	C, D	C, D	C
Medical Laboratory Assistant, includes Combined Laboratory & X-Ray Technician, and Cytotechnology									

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Health Care, Medical Studies and Technologies (continued)									
Medicine (MD, PhD) and specializations, includes Emergency Medicine, Family Practice, Medical Research, Surgical Specialties, and Pre-Professional University Transfer								t	
Nurse, Licensed Practical (LPN), includes Aboriginal Practical Nurse, LPN Re-entry, Orthopaedics, and Practical Nurse Program for Health Care Workers		C, C2y				C	#C	C2y	
Nursing, Basic (RN), Post-Diploma, and Refresher, includes Accelerated Track				V, t, D	t, #B		V, t, #B	B	D3y, #B
Nursing, Post RN, includes Community, Critical Care, Gerontology, Maternal Infant Child, Mental Health, Neonatal, Occupational Health, Perioperative, and Psychiatric Nursing			PD	V, t, D	t, #B		C16w	C	C
Occupational and Environmental Health and Safety			C						
Ophthalmic Dispensing (Glasses & Contact Lenses)									
Palliative Care				Ct					
Pharmacology, Pharmacy, and Pharmacy Technician		C	C20w			C18w		t	
Radiology and Diagnostic Imaging, includes Diagnostic Medical Sonography, Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), and Nuclear Medicine Technology									
Respiratory Therapy									
Sterile Processing							C		
Therapist Assistant, includes assistants in Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Rehabilitation Therapy, and Speech Language Pathology				D				D	
Therapy Specialists, includes Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Speech Pathology & Audiology, and Pre-Professional University Transfer								t	
Human Ecology, Fashion and Food Sciences									
Clothing, Fashion, and Cultural Arts, includes Fashion Design & Merchandising, International Curatorial Institute, Native Artisan, Native Cultural Arts Worker, Textile Conservation & Curatorship, and Textiles, Clothing & Culture							C, Dt		
Food Science and Nutrition, includes Food Science & Technology								t	
Human Ecology, includes Human Ecology/Education								t	
Humanities and Languages									
Humanities, includes Ancient & Medieval History, Classics, Comparative Literature, East Asian Studies, English, Film & Media Studies, Greek & Roman Studies, History, History & Philosophy of Science, Latin American Studies, Liberal Studies, Philosophy, Scandinavian Studies, Slavic & East European Studies, and Spanish & Latin American Studies				t, B					
Languages and Linguistics, includes Chinese, Danish, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Modern Languages & Cultural Studies, Norwegian, Polish, Portuguese, Russian, Scandinavian, Spanish, Swedish, and Ukrainian									

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Mathematics									
Mathematics, includes Actuarial Science, Statistics, and Statistics & Applied Probability									
Personal and Food Services									
Cooking and Culinary Arts, includes Baker*, Baking & Pastry Arts, Cook*, Culinary Kitchen Skills, Professional Cooking, and Pre-Employment Cooking			V				att, D		
Food and Nutrition Management, includes Food Service Worker, and Nutrition for Healthy Lifestyles		C							
Funeral Director & Embalmer									C
Hairstylist*									
Interior Decorating, Interior Design, and Floral Design		C				C, D	D		C, A
Retail Meat Cutting									
Travel and Tourism Services, includes Travel Counsellor, and Tour Guide				D1y		C		C	
Physical Education and Recreation									
Fitness Leadership, includes Exercise Science, and Personal Fitness Trainer			C, D				D		C
Kinesiology and Physical Education, includes Exercise Science, and Sports Studies			t	t				t	t, C
Recreation and Leisure, includes Recreation, Sports & Tourism, Recreation Therapy Aide, and Therapeutic Recreation (Gerontology)		C	t				Dt	t	
Outdoor Leadership and Ecotourism, includes Adventure Tourism & Outdoor Recreation, Ecotourism & Outdoor Leadership, Outdoor Adventure Business Studies, and Outward Pursuits						C, Dt		A, D	A
Religious Studies									
Religious Studies, includes Applied Ethics, Eastern Religions, Native American Traditions, Thematic Studies, and Western Religious Traditions									
Christian Studies, includes Biblical Studies, Children's Ministries, Discovery Christian Studies, Ministry, Philosophical Search for Meaning, Pre-Seminary, Religion & Theology, Religious Education Administration Program, Theology, Worship Arts, and Youth Ministries									
Sciences									
Biological Sciences, includes Biochemistry, Bioinformatics, Biology, Botany, Cell Biology, Cell Biotechnology, Developmental Biology, Ecology, Evolutionary Biology, Genetics, Microbiology, Molecular Biology, Plant Biology, and Zoology								t	
General Sciences, includes Natural Sciences, and Sciences (French)			t	Dt					t
Human and Medical Sciences, includes Anatomy, Biomedical Sciences, Immunology, Infectious Diseases, Medical Laboratory Science, Medical Microbiology, Medical Sciences, Neuroscience, Pathology, Pharmacology, Physiology, Radiology/Diagnostic Imaging, and Surgery									

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Sciences (continued)									
Physical Sciences, includes Applied Physics, Atmospheric Sciences, Chemistry, Earth Sciences, Geology, Geophysics, Mathematical Physics, Paleontology, and Physics									
Social Sciences, Law and Interdisciplinary Studies									
Interdisciplinary Studies, includes Canadian Studies; Development Studies; International Health & Wilderness Studies; International Relations; Law & Society; Native Studies; Policy Studies; Politics, History & Economics; Science, Technology & Society; and Women's Studies									A
Law									
Social Sciences, includes Anthropology, Archaeology, Archaeology & Geography, Behavioral Science, Economics, Geography, Political Economy, Political Science, Psychology, Social Sciences (General), and Sociology				t, B					
Social, Community and Protective Services									
Aboriginal Services, includes Addictions Services, Child & Family Services, Community Health Representative, and Policing & Security					Ct, Dt				
Career Development									
Child and Youth Care, includes Behaviour Support, and Child & Youth Counsellor		D		Dt, B		Dt	Dt	D	D
Counselling and Mental Health Services, includes Addictions Counselling, Addictions Studies, Adventure Based Counselling, Children's Mental Health, Counselling Women, Health & Human Services: Contemporary Issues, Life Skills Coach, Mental Health Aide, Tobacco Studies, and Women's Shelter Crisis Worker		C14w, C, D		Dt				Dt	C, Ct
Community Wellness and Seniors' Services, includes Gerontology, and Managing Adult Personal Care Homes Certificate		C30h			Ct				C
Conflict Management									C
Disability Studies, includes Community Rehabilitation, Deaf & Blind Support Services, Disability & Community Support, Disability Management in the Workplace, and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder		C	C, D	C, D, Dt		Dt	C22w, Dt	C, D	D
Early Childhood Development and Education, includes Child Learning Through Play, Day Care Orientation 1, and Early Intervention		C, D	C, Dt	Dt	Ct, Dt	Ct, Dt	Ct, Dt		C, D
Fire Services, includes Fire Service Administration, Fire Investigation & Prevention, and Wildland Firefighter						V	C		
Health Care Aide, includes Community Care		C4m, C5m				C4m, C	C5m	C5m	
Police and Criminal Justice, includes Bachelor of Applied Corrections, Corrections, Criminology, Human Justice, and Police & Security		D		D, Dt			C, Dt, A	Dt	C, A
Security and Investigation, includes Private Investigator, and Security Management		C							
Social Work			#B	Dt	t			t, Dt	D

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Academic Upgrading, includes Apprenticeship Math & Science, Co-operative Trades Orientation, Mechanical & Construction Trades Preparation, Pre-Employment, and Pre-Trades		C5m			C24w		C		
Building Operations, includes Building Service Worker, Resident Manager, and Residential Building Operator		C40h, C48h							
Safety Training, includes Transportation of Dangerous Goods (TDG), Transportation Safety Director, and Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS)		V	V						
Warehousing** includes Basic**, Intermediate** & Technician**									
CONSTRUCTION TRADES Carpentry, includes Cabinetmaker*, Carpenter*, Carpentry & Construction, Millwork & Carpentry, Pre-Employment, Pre-Trades, and Woodworking					att	att, C16w	att, C14w	att	
Construction, includes Bricklayer*, Concrete Finisher*, Construction Craft Labourer**, Elevator Constructor*, Floorcovering Installer*, Glazier* & Glazier - Auto Glass Technician*, Insulator*, Lather-Interior Systems Mechanic*, Non-Destructive Testing, Painter & Decorator*, Roofer*, Pre-Trades Sheet Metal Worker, Sheet Metal Worker*, and Tilesetter**									
Heavy Equipment Operations, includes Crane & Hoisting Equipment Operator* (includes Boom Truck*, Wellhead Boom Truck*, Mobile Crane*, & Tower Crane*), Heavy Construction Equipment Operator, Mine Operations, and Woodland Equipment Operator					C8w, C				
ELECTRICAL TRADES Electrical Trades, includes Electrician*, Electrical Motor Systems Technician*, Electrical Systems Principles, Electronic Service Technician, Electronic Technician*, Power System Electrician*, Pre-Employment Electrical, and Pre-Trades					att	att, C16w	att, C12w	att	
Power Lineman*									
MECHANICAL TRADES Agricultural Equipment, includes Agricultural & Heavy Equipment Technician, Agricultural Equipment Technician*, and Agricultural Mechanic					att	att	att, Ct		
Appliance Service Technician*									
Automotive Service, includes Automotive Mechanic, Automotive Service Technician*, Automotive Service Technology, Automotive Systems, Commercial Vehicle Enforcement, General Mechanic, Introduction to Automotive Maintenance, Pre-Employment, Pre-Trades, and Truck Transport – Fuel & Lube					C4w	att, C16w	att, C3m, Ct	att	
Automotive Body Repair, includes Auto Body Technician* (includes Auto Body Prepper*, Auto Body Refinisher*, & Auto Body Repairer*), and Pre-Employment									
Automotive Motorcycle, includes Harley Davidson Technician, Motorcycle Mechanic*, and Pre-Employment									
Automotive Recreation, includes Recreation Vehicle Service Technician*									
Boilermaker*									

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Heavy Equipment, includes Heavy Equipment Technician* (HET-Heavy Duty Equipment Mechanic [Off Road]*, HET-Transport-Trailer Mechanic*, HET-Truck & Transport Mechanic*), Industrial Heavy Equipment Technology, and Pre-Trades					att	att, C16w	att		
Ironworker*, includes Ironworker (Metal Building Systems Erector*, Structural/Ornamental*, Reinforcing*)									
Locksmith*, includes Pre-Employment									
Machinist*, includes CNC Machinist Technician, CNC Operator, and Machinist Technician									
Millwright*, includes Pre-Employment					att				
Outdoor Power Equipment, includes Marine Service Technician, Outdoor Power Equipment Technician* (Marine Equipment*, Power Equipment*, Recreation Equipment*, Turf Equipment*), and Turfgrass Equipment Technician									
Parts Technician*, includes Pre-Employment						att	att		
Rail Traffic Control, includes Railway Conductor									
Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Mechanic*, includes HVAC Specialist Certificate									
Sawfiler* and Circular Sawfiler*									
Structural Steel and Plate Fitter*									
Tool and Die Maker*									
Transport Refrigeration Technician*, includes Pre-Employment									
Welder*, includes Pre-Employment, and Welding Engineering Technology					att	att, C16w	att, C14w	att	
OIL & GAS TRADES									
Oil & Gas Operations, includes Coker Technician, Gas Field Operator, Gas Process Operations, Gas Utility Operator, Heavy Oil Operations Technician, Oil & Gas Transportation Services**, Rig Technician*, and Well Testing Services Supervisor****					C6w, C	C, Ct			
PIPE TRADES									
Gasfitter (A)* and Gasfitter (B)*								att	
Hydronic Designer/Installer									
Plumber*, includes Pre-Employment								att	
Power Engineering, includes 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, & 5th Classes, and Power Engineering Technology			C		C		V, C	D	
Sprinkler Systems Installer*, includes Pre-Employment									
Steamfitter-Pipefitter*, includes Pre-Employment, and Pre-Trades								att	
Water Well Driller* includes Pre-Employment, and Water Management & Drilling									

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Choosing a Program

When you've identified programs that could get you started in the direction you want to go, you'll probably have a number of questions about those programs, such as:

- What are the entrance requirements?
- Is it a "quota program" with limited enrolment? If so, what marks are generally required to gain admission?
- Does the program start in September, or are there other possible entry dates?
- What are the application deadlines for each program?
- Does the program include a work experience component? If so, is it volunteer work or are students paid for their work? Who is responsible for arranging the work experience?
- What percentage of graduates find related employment?
- How much do tuition, books and supplies cost?

The best source of information about a particular program is the institution that offers the program. You can contact post-secondary institutions directly and request print materials or look for the information you need on their websites. (Post-secondary institution telephone numbers, mailing addresses, fax numbers, e-mail addresses and website addresses are listed in the **Contacts** section.)

The Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca** is the Internet gateway to information about adult learning in Alberta. It provides access to a broad range of information as well as links to many post-secondary institution home pages.

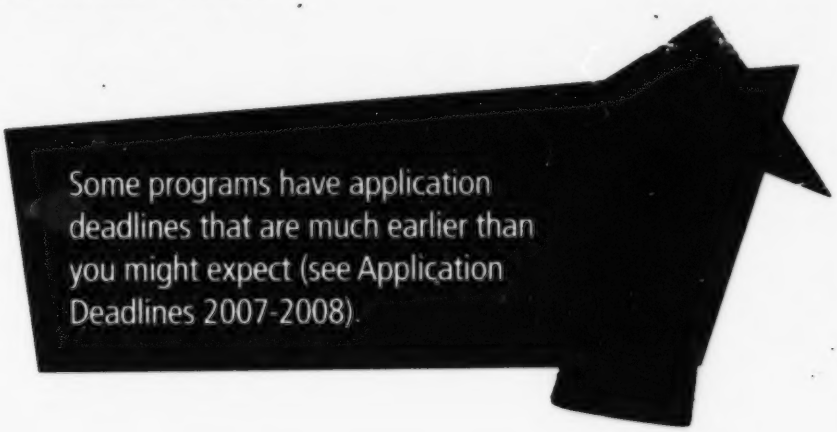
If you don't have ready access to the Internet or you would like to browse through program information from a variety of institutions, check out the career counselling offices and libraries in your area. Labour Market Information Centres have collections of post-secondary institution calendars and are located in Alberta Human Resources and Employment service centres throughout the province (see **Contacts**).

After you've used print and Internet resources to gather some basic information about your program options, it's a good idea to talk to people connected with each program, such as:

- program graduates
- representatives of applicable professional associations or licensing bodies
- employers likely to hire program graduates
- program instructors.

Finding and contacting these people may take some determined networking, but it's well worth the effort. For example, if employers tell you that they prefer to hire graduates of a different program, that's definitely something you want to know before you enrol!

Sometimes, several institutions offer very similar programs (e.g. university transfer programs are offered by several colleges in the province). You will want to research the various institutions before you decide which one to apply to. There are descriptions of some of the post-secondary institutions in Alberta in the next section.


Some programs have application deadlines that are much earlier than you might expect (see Application Deadlines 2007-2008).

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Which Post-Secondary Institution(s) Should I Attend?

If Only One Institution Offers the Program You Want...

Your choice of which institution to attend is obvious. Or is it? Maybe not, if:

- appropriate transfer programs are available at post-secondary institutions closer to home
- an educational consortium offers the program or transferable courses at a location near you
- appropriate e-Campus courses are available.

Transfer programs

What is Transfer and Transfer Credit?

Transfer is the movement of students between post-secondary institutions. Transfer credit is the credit received for prior post-secondary studies. You may be able to take up to two years of post-secondary education at a closer institution (the "sending" institution) and get credit for those studies from the institution that offers the program you want to complete (the "receiving" institution). However, there are two important things you need to know before you enrol in a transfer program.

1. Admission to the receiving institution program is competitive and the number of students who can be admitted may be limited. Therefore, admission is not automatic after completion of a transfer program.
2. You are responsible for the planning and consultation required to make sure that you will receive credit for all of the courses you take at the sending institution.

To decide which courses to take at the sending institution:

- check the transfer program advice in the sending institution's calendar
- check the receiving institution's calendar to get the most current program advice
- check the Alberta Transfer Guide to be sure the courses you select will transfer.

What is the Alberta Transfer Guide?

The *Alberta Transfer Guide* (or *Guide*) lists course and program transfer agreements in the province for a specific academic year. It also contains a wealth of admissions information. It is available free of charge from the registrar's office at post-secondary institutions.

The Guide is published each June; however, because transfer agreements are created and updated regularly throughout the year, learners and advisors are encouraged to use the *Online Alberta Transfer Guide (OATG)*—**www.acat.gov.ab.ca**—for the most up-to-date information. **The OATG is the official statement of transfer agreements in Alberta.**

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Why would I use the OATG or the Alberta Transfer Guide?
The *Guide* is a tool to assist in planning your post-secondary studies and moving between post-secondary institutions in Alberta, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

- Use the "By Course" information to plan a university transfer direction, or to find out how a few courses taken at one post-secondary institution transfer to another post-secondary institution
- Use the "By Program" information to plan a laddered series of credentials.

There is also a wealth of useful admissions information, such as:

- academic upgrading courses
- how grade 12 courses from other provinces are accepted for admission
- how advanced placement and international baccalaureate courses transfer to post-secondary institutions
- click on Common Questions to learn more about transfer credit
- click on Search the Online Alberta Transfer Guide to determine how your courses or program will transfer within Alberta.

For questions about admissions and transfer contact:

Alberta Council on Admissions and Transfer (ACAT)
11th Floor Commerce Place
10155–102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 4L5
Phone: (780) 422-9021 or 310-0000 toll-free
Deaf and hard of hearing callers with TDD units
Phone: (780) 422-5283 or
1-800-232-7215 for message relay service
Fax: (780) 427-0423
E-mail: acat@gov.ab.ca
Website: **www.acat.gov.ab.ca**

Consortium programs

A consortium is an association of post-secondary institutions providing a range of programs and courses in communities not served directly by a single institution. All programs offered at consortium locations meet the same standards and have the same entrance requirements as those offered on the main campuses of the institutions that deliver the programs. The programs offered may change from year to year depending on the needs of local students.

There are four community consortia in Alberta:

- **Big Country Educational Consortium** serves the Cereal, Drumheller, Hanna, Oyen, Stettler, Three Hills and Youngstown areas
- **Chinook Educational Consortium** serves the Claresholm, Crowsnest Pass and Pincher Creek areas
- **Pembina Educational Consortium** serves the Drayton Valley, Fox Creek, Rocky Mountain House, Westlock and Whitecourt areas
- **Yellowhead Region Educational Consortium** serves the Edson, Grande Cache, Hinton and Jasper areas.

Types of programs offered by community consortia include academic, administration, business trades and university transfer. There is also an Aboriginal consortium.

Please see the **Contacts** section for specific contact information on each of these consortia.

e-Campus courses

e-Campus Alberta is a partnership of 15 public colleges and technical institutes developed to increase access to post-secondary learning opportunities. By using the flexibility of on-line learning, students can select courses from any of the partner colleges or institutes and complete the course work on-line from home, the workplace, or a community learning centre. The e-Campus system is based on a lead/partnership model. The "lead" campus is the college or institute that offers the course and sets the admission requirements. The student's closest local college or institute is the "partner" campus. It provides important services such as library resources, financial advising and educational planning. Consult the institution's calendar or website for admission requirements and course details.

For more information about e-Campus, go to **www.ecampusalberta.ca** This website provides a list of courses being offered and links to each of the member colleges and institutes.

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If More Than One Institution Offers the Program You Want...

You are in the fortunate position of being able to choose the one(s) you want to apply to.

The following descriptions of post-secondary institutions in Alberta that are publicly funded or offer accredited degree programs provide some basic information about each institution. For an overview of different types of institutions in Alberta, see the section College, Technical Institute, University...What's the Difference?

Your choice of institution may be influenced by:

- **location (how close it is to your home)**
- **size (whether you prefer the learning environment at a smaller or larger institution)**
- **type of institution (e.g. religious affiliation)**
- **the institution's academic reputation in your subject field**
- **costs (e.g. tuition, books, accommodation)**
- **the types of student services and facilities offered (see the Features Chart section).**

To learn more about post-secondary institutions in Alberta:

- **Request information brochures directly from the institutions that interest you (see the Contacts section)**
- **Visit their websites. You can find links to post-secondary institution home pages on the EDinfo website at www.alis.gov.ab.ca/edinfo**
- **Talk to people who have attended the institutions**
- **Visit the institutions yourself.**

Most post-secondary institutions have open houses or information sessions in the spring. It's a great opportunity to have a look around, experience the learning environment, ask about program content and find out what student life is like. Many institutions also sponsor or participate in career fairs, where you can meet with faculty, industry representatives and current students.

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Red Deer
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Banff
Calgary
Medicine Hat
Lethbridge

College, Technical Institute, University...What's the Difference?

Wondering how a private college differs from a university or a public college, or how a public college differs from a technical institute? Here's an overview of the post-secondary education system in Alberta.

Public colleges

Alberta has 14 publicly funded, board-governed colleges. They may offer academic upgrading, continuing education, job readiness, apprenticeship and one-year certificate programs as well as two-year diploma and university transfer programs. Some offer applied degree programs. Some also offer undergraduate academic degree programs comparable to those offered by universities.

- **Public colleges are located in Calgary, Edmonton, Fort McMurray, Grande Prairie, Grouard, Lac La Biche, Lethbridge, Medicine Hat, Olds, Red Deer and Vermilion. Some of these public colleges also have additional campuses in Brooks (Medicine Hat College), Fort Chipewyan (Keyano College), Lloydminster and Sherwood Park (Lakeland College) and Slave Lake (Northern Lakes College).**
- **Public colleges tend to have smaller classes than universities and offer students a close-knit learning environment.**
- **Those colleges that offer university transfer programs provide students with the option of beginning university studies at an institution closer to their homes.**

Technical institutes

- **Two of Canada's finest technical institutes are located in Alberta: Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) in Edmonton and Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT) in Calgary.**
- **Technical institutes offer one-year certificate, two-year diploma, applied degree, apprenticeship and continuing education programs.**
- **Technical institutes respond to labour market needs and offer programs tailored to workplace requirements.**

Universities

- **Alberta has four excellent universities: three are campus-based and one is a distance-learning university.**
- **Alberta's universities are located in Athabasca, Calgary, Edmonton and Lethbridge.**
- **University populations in Alberta range from 5,000 to over 30,000 students attending one institution.**
- **Universities offer a wide range of degree programs through various departments and faculties.**

Note: The following post-secondary institutions also offer degree programs:

- **Grande Prairie Regional College, Grant MacEwan College, Lakeland College, Lethbridge Community College, Medicine Hat College, Mount Royal College, Olds College, NAIT and SAIT offer applied degree programs.**
- **Eight private colleges offer degree programs (see Private colleges offering accredited degree programs below).**
- **There are 10 non-resident institutions with approval to offer degree programs in Alberta.**

Private colleges offering accredited degree programs

Alberta has eight private institutions that grant bachelor's degrees on recommendation of the Campus Alberta Quality Council: Alliance University College (Calgary), Canadian University College (Lacombe), Concordia University College of Alberta (Edmonton), DeVry Institute of Technology (Calgary), The King's University College (Edmonton), Canadian Nazarene University College (Calgary), St. Mary's University College (Calgary) and Taylor University College and Seminary (Edmonton).

As these programs are now monitored by the new Campus Alberta Quality Council, a list of the accredited degree programs can be found at www.caqc.gov.ab.ca under "Recommendations".

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Private institutions

- Alberta also has independent religious institutions that offer programs leading to degrees in divinity. These programs are not approved or regulated by government, although in some instances students enrolled in these programs may be able to apply for student financial assistance. Some of these institutions are affiliated with post-secondary institutions in Alberta, colleges in the United States, Canadian or American Bible colleges/theological schools or associations. For information about these offerings, please contact the colleges directly.
- Currently, there are also approximately 150 private institutions in Alberta offering vocational programs licensed under the Private Vocational Schools Act. For a listing of licensed programs, call the Private Institutions Branch of Alberta Advanced Education at (780) 427-5609, visit your nearest Alberta Human Resource and Employment service centre (see the **Contacts** section) or check out the EDinfo section on the ALIS website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca/edinfo**
- Licensed programs offered by private institutions respond to current labour market demand. These programs prepare students for employment in a wide variety of occupations.
- Program-specific job placement data is available at the institution that offers the program.

The Banff Centre

- The Banff Centre is a publicly funded institution that provides advanced continuing education opportunities in fine arts, management studies, language training and environmental training for people who already have academic credentials or professional experience in their discipline.

Post-Secondary Institution Descriptions

The content of this section is based on information provided by the educational institutions in the summer of 2006 prior to the printing of *Time to Choose 2006-2007*. Please check with the institution to confirm program information and to seek additional information before making your educational plans.

Alberta College of Art & Design

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E-mail: admissions@acad.ab.ca
Website: **www.acad.ab.ca**

The Alberta College of Art and Design (ACAD) believes that an art and design institution should be more than just a school—it should be a conduit for your artistic development. The college features small class sizes and individual attention from accomplished faculty who are some of today's most successful artists and designers. Experience luxurious facilities and an endless array of media. Immerse yourself in art and design. Choose to start living the life you want now.

ACAD offers Bachelor of Design (BDes) and Bachelor of Fine Arts degree programs. Bachelor of Design students studying Visual Communications Design or Photography benefit from an extensive design based curriculum developed to exceed design industry expectations. Students engaged in the Bachelor of Fine Arts degree program choose to focus their studies in one of nine studio areas, and each student benefits from the interdisciplinary approach of a diverse variety of media, ideas and people interacting in one comprehensive space. Bachelor of Fine Arts Majors include: Ceramics, Drawing, Fibre, Glass, Jewellery & Metals, Media Arts & Digital Technologies, Painting, Print Media and Sculpture.

The BFA and BDes programs begin with First Year Studies—a common year-long experience that provides a critical foundation of technical and problem solving skills. It's also your opportunity to explore a variety of creative directions and studio experiences. Upon completion of First Year Studies you'll choose to apply to a major in the BDes program or enter studies at the 200 level of the BFA program.

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Alliance University College

"World Focus. Christian Perspective."

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Fax: (403) 571-2556
E-mail: enrolment@auc-nuc.ca
Website: **www.auc-nuc.ca**

- Alliance University College (AUC) is Calgary's newest Christian university college that promotes redemptive engagement with human society and our natural environment, through teaching, learning and scholarship in the context of a Christian community. Through faith, excellence, community and service, AUC seeks to prepare students for lives of service.
- AUC offers provincially accredited three- and four-year Bachelor of Arts degrees with concentrations/majors in Business Administration, Christian Studies, General Studies, History and Music. The faculty also offers educational travel opportunities throughout their programs.
- Excellently trained professors, small classes and a strong sense of community create an exciting learning environment where students can receive an outstanding education.
- Many community opportunities exist beyond the classroom to develop spiritually, intellectually, physically and socially through AUC's spiritual formation, residence and athletics. Athletic and Campus Recreation programs are housed in the new gym facilities.
- AUC's state-of-the-art facilities, shared with Canadian Nazarene University College, are located in the Canadian Centre in Calgary's urban centre with easy access to the C-Train and bus transportation.
- A comfortable apartment-style residence is available near the campus, including a program that provides an excellent transition from home to independent living.
- The library houses a comprehensive collection of more than 100,000 volumes and 300 periodical subscriptions, making it one of the largest private university college libraries in western Canada.

Athabasca University

"Alberta's Leader in Distance and On-line Learning."

Information Centre

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1 University Drive
Athabasca, Alberta T9S 3A3
Phone: (780) 675-6100 or 1-800-788-9041 toll-free
Fax: (780) 675-6437
E-mail: www.askau.ca
Website: **www.athabascau.ca**

- Athabasca University, Canada's Open University, is recognized worldwide as a leader in on-line and distance learning. The University also offers classroom courses with partner institutions (contact Athabasca University for more information).
- Athabasca is a publicly funded university with more than 60 undergraduate and graduate programs and over 700 courses in a wide variety of disciplines.
- Areas of study include liberal arts, sciences, and professional programs such as business, nursing, and criminal justice. Programs include bachelor's degrees, master's degrees, and certificates and diplomas at both the undergraduate and graduate level.
- Anyone 16 years or older can study at Athabasca University. Students are not required to have a high school diploma. Some courses and programs do require students to have achieved certain academic prerequisites.
- Year-round intake means there is no need to wait until September to begin a university education—undergraduate students can enrol any time of the year.
- Athabasca's flexible learning methods allow students to study at their own pace and wherever they want. It is not necessary to give up employment or to live away from home to study with Athabasca University.
- Many Athabasca students complete full programs, while others take individual courses to supplement studies at other institutions or to pursue personal interests. Academic and student support staff assist students with their studies and help them achieve education, career, and personal goals.
- Since Athabasca University was founded by the Government of Alberta in 1970, more than 260,000 students have benefited from the University's courses and programs.

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The Banff Centre

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E-mail: arts_info@banffcentre.ca

Leadership Development
Phone: 1-800-590-9799 toll-free
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E-mail: leadership@banffcentre.ca

Mountain Culture
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E-mail: mountainculture@banffcentre.ca

The Banff Centre is an arts, cultural, and educational institution and conference facility. A catalyst for creativity, the Centre inspires artists, the mountain community, and business and community leaders from Canada and around the world. Banff Centre alumni create, produce, and perform works of art all over the world; lead institutions, organizations, and businesses, and play significant roles in cultural, social, intellectual, and economic well-being, and in the preservation of the environment.

The Centre's multi-disciplinary programs enable emerging and established individuals in the arts, sciences, business, and the environment to create and showcase new work, to push boundaries, to interact and share knowledge, and to develop new ideas and solutions for the present and the future.

Bow Valley College

"Let us help you get there. Faster."

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332–6 Avenue SE
Calgary, Alberta T2G 4S6
Phone: (403) 410-1400 or 1-866-428-2669 toll-free
Fax: (403) 297-4887
E-mail: info@bowvalleycollege.ca
Website: **www.bowvalleycollege.ca**

For more than 40 years, Bow Valley College (BVC) has helped students upgrade their education, change careers, take a course for pleasure or professional development, or learn English as a Second Language.

With more than 10,000 learners across southern Alberta each year, Bow Valley College provides a focused and flexible education to help you achieve your goals. Every year, more than 95 per cent of students find employment within six months of graduation. Also, more than 95 per cent of graduates are satisfied with their educational experience at the College.

Get a career. Fast.
Helping you get a career fast is what Bow Valley College specializes in. Full- and part-time diploma and certificate programs give you the skills you need to jump right into work.

Earn while you learn
If you want to explore a new hobby or need new skills to advance your career, a Bow Valley College continuing education course may be just what you've been looking for.

Finish what you started
Do you need to upgrade your education, or just take a few more high school courses? Bow Valley College has the courses you're looking for and dedicated instructors who will help you reach your goals.

Learn English at Calgary's Largest ESL School
Bow Valley College is Calgary's largest English as a Second Language (ESL) provider and has a variety of full- and part-time programs for new immigrants, Canadian citizens and international students.

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Canadian Nazarene University College

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Website: **www.auc-nuc.ca**

- Canadian Nazarene University College is a Christian liberal arts university college whose mission is to deliver quality education that prepares men and women for lives of leadership and service.
- The college offers 3- and 4-year Bachelor of Arts degrees with concentrations in Behavioural Science, Christian Studies, English Literature, General Studies and Music. University transfer courses are also offered. See the *Alberta Transfer Guide* for a list of transferable courses.
- Graduates pursue careers in education, nursing, social services, work-related positions and graduate studies.
- Excellently trained professors, small classes and a strong sense of community create an exciting learning environment where students can receive an outstanding education.
- Many community opportunities exist beyond the classroom to develop spiritually, intellectually, physically and socially through our spiritual formation, residence and athletics. Athletic and Campus Recreation programs are housed in our new gym facilities.
- In full state-of-the-art facilities, shared with Alliance University College, are located in the Canadian Centre in Calgary's urban centre with easy access to C-Train and bus transportation.
- A comfortable apartment-style residence is available near the campus, including a program that provides an excellent transition from home to independent living.
- The library houses a comprehensive collection of more than 100,000 volumes and 300 periodical subscriptions, making it one of the largest private university college libraries in western Canada.

Canadian University College

"Excellence in Christian University Education."

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E-mail: admissions@cauc.ca
Website: **www.cauc.ca**

- Located in Lacombe, north of Red Deer.
- Co-educational, liberal arts university college with an international student body.
- Affiliated with the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada.
- Four-year Bachelor of Arts degree programs in Adventure Based Counselling, Behavioural Science, English, Music, and Religious Studies.
- Four-year Bachelor of Business Administration degree program.
- Four-year Bachelor of Science degree program in Biology and Psychology.
- Three-year Bachelor of Arts degree programs in Adventure Based Counselling, Business Administration, English, General Studies, History, International Health and Wilderness Studies, Music, Outdoor Adventure Business Studies, Outward Pursuits and Religious Studies.
- Three-year Bachelor of Science degree programs in Biology, General Studies, Psychology and Wellness Management.
- Bachelor of Education degrees with elementary and secondary tracks.
- Bachelor of Social Work articulated transfer program associated with La Sierra University of Riverside, California.

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Concordia University College of Alberta

Admissions

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Website: **www.concordia.ab.ca**

- Concordia University College of Alberta provides a rigorous, student-focused university education in an engaging and caring environment. Established in 1921, Concordia began offering university-level arts and science courses in 1967 and received degree-granting status from the Province of Alberta in 1987.
- A member of the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada, Concordia currently offers accredited bachelor's and master's degrees, as well as professional certificate and diploma programs.
- Concordia's greatest strength is its size. With an enrolment of 1,800, students benefit from smaller classes and greater access to their professors.
- As a Christian university college, Concordia also adds purpose and meaning to university education by encouraging personal integrity, leadership, and community responsibility. While Concordia's heritage is Lutheran, they serve people of all backgrounds and faiths.
- Concordia's direct-entry programs include three- and four-year Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees and a four-year Bachelor of Management degree.
- After-degree programs include Bachelor of Education, Bachelor of Environmental Health and diploma and certificate programs in Career Development.
- Students wishing to enter into Christian church work can choose from Director of Parish Services, Parish Nursing, Christian Teacher, and Pre-seminary programs.
- Concordia launched its first graduate level program in January 2006—Master of Information Systems Security Management.
- The Faculty of Continuing Education offers part-time university study, academic upgrading programs including the University and College Entrance Program, and non-credit courses.
- Concordia students received over $800,000 in scholarships and bursaries during the 2005-2006 academic year. High school students entering their first year of university studies direct from high school with a 75% or higher average qualify for up to $15,000 in entrance scholarships.

DeVry Institute of Technology (Calgary)

"Think Ahead."

Admissions

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Email: admissionsinfo@mail.cal.devry.ca
Website: **www.cal.devry.ca**

- DeVry fosters student learning through high-quality career-oriented undergraduate programs in technology and business to meet the needs of a diverse student population.
- DeVry offers bachelor degrees in business and technology with specializations in electronics, computing, business and information technology, as well as a diploma program in electronics and computer technology.
- The Institute teaches three full semesters each year allowing students to complete degree programs at least one year sooner than in the traditional system.
- DeVry's facilities include two laptop computer classrooms, three advanced computer labs, two sophisticated electronic labs, a library, a centre for student resources and tutorials, a bookstore and a cafeteria. In addition, several hundred networked computers are available for student use.
- DeVry's students are actively involved in the learning process with programs that are application oriented. DeVry's courses are developed by faculty and staff through regular assessment and consultation with other educators and business leaders.
- The Institute serves students by continually developing new ways to improve programs and educational delivery systems using current technologies.
- DeVry assists students in realizing their potential by establishing basic skills assessment and learning support services.
- Student services contribute to student achievement and provide career-development and employment strategies to assist students with a successful transition to their chosen occupations.
- DeVry provides highly motivated and qualified graduates to meet the current and projected needs of the work force, with a typically high employment rate of graduates.

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Grande Prairie Regional College

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E-mail: studentinfo@gprc.ab.ca
Website: **www.gprc.ab.ca**

- Grande Prairie Regional College (GPRC) offers academic upgrading, career and continuing education programs, and university transfer studies. Degree completion opportunities are also available on campus in collaboration with respective universities.
- Exceptionally qualified faculty provide up to two years of bachelor degree courses in Arts, Commerce, Education, Fine Arts, Music, Physical Education, and Science.
- Through collaborative agreements with other institutions, students may complete the following degrees on campus: Bachelor of Science in Nursing and Bachelor of Education through University of Alberta; Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Administration Post-Diploma, and Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Systems through Athabasca University; Bachelor of Social Work through University of Calgary.
- In partnership with the University of Northern British Columbia, students can complete the first two years of the Bachelor of Science in Natural Resources Management at GPRC.
- GPRC offers certificate and diploma programs in Administrative Technology, Business Administration, Computer Systems Technology, Disability and Community Support, Early Learning and Childcare, Fitness Leadership, Human Services, Music, Power Engineering, Teacher Assistant, and Visual Arts.
- The GPRC Conservatory provides music instruction to students of all ages.
- Enviable athletic facilities are home to nationally competitive teams in badminton, basketball, cross-country running, curling, soccer, volleyball.
- The GPRC campus features a world-class concert hall of 500 seats that is renowned for its architecture.
- The GPRC library offers access to over 76,000 print items locally and to over 5.5 million items through consortia membership. Users have access to electronic resources, including numerous periodical databases.

Grant MacEwan College

"Your Future is Our Focus."

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Website: **www.macewan.ca**

MacEwan, western Canada's largest college, emphasizes the intellectual growth of students in a hands-on learning environment. Small class sizes give students and instructors the chance to interact, and to explore and challenge ideas.

MacEwan's programming includes:

- Degrees: Students can complete a four-year Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Arts in Child and Youth Care. Additional degrees under consideration include a Bachelor of Commerce and a Bachelor of Science in Nursing. The college has the highest university transfer rate in Alberta; students can take up to two years of university studies in Arts, Education, Science, Computing Science, Engineering, Commerce and Management, Nursing, Physical Education or Social Work.
- Certificate and diploma programs: over 60 programs cover business, the arts, health, community education and communications; most include practicum or work experience.
- Applied degrees: A unique combination of paid work experience and advanced academic studies, MacEwan offers applied degrees in Accounting, Professional Writing, Human Service Administration, and International Business & Supply Chain Management.

MacEwan's student residence houses nearly 900 students and offers students the opportunity to meet people, get involved in activities, and develop leadership skills in an environment that supports academic success and personal growth. The MacEwan Griffins teams give students the chance to compete and to be part of the camaraderie and spirit that embodies MacEwan athletics.

MacEwan's four campuses are equipped with computer labs, wireless networks, comprehensive learning resource centres and student services. The MacEwan Centre for Sport and Wellness at our City Centre Campus houses a gymnasium, swimming pool, racquet courts, weight and fitness area and a medical clinic.

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Keyano College

"Education that works."

Office of the Registrar

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- Keyano College offers students one- and two-year university transfer programs in a variety of areas from General Science to Fine Arts. A collaborative degree in Nursing is also offered. Certificate and diploma programs are available in Business Administration, Computer Information Systems, Office Administration, Early Learning and Childcare, Environmental Technology, Aboriginal Child and Family Services, Aboriginal Addictions Services, and Visual and Performing Arts.
- Adult upgrading, trades preparation and apprenticeship programs are also offered. Co-operative education (earn while you learn) is available in a variety of programs.
- The main campus is located in Fort McMurray with a satellite campus in Fort Chipewyan. Facilities include a fitness resource centre, gym, racquetball court, student activities centre, a 600-seat theatre and an arts centre that features music and dance studios, practice rooms, a rehearsal hall, piano labs, painting and printmaking studios and a 200-seat recital theatre.
- The 860-acre heavy industrial training centre at the Suncor Energy Industrial campus in Fort McMurray serves as a base for a variety of industrial programs delivered both within Fort McMurray and throughout the region. Truck transport training is also provided for Class I, Class II (School Bus) and Class III licence levels.

The King's University College

"Christian University Education."

Enrolment Services

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- The mission of The King's University College is to provide students with a university education in the arts, sciences, and selected professional areas from a Biblical perspective. King's attracts students of all ages from a variety of religious backgrounds. It strives to be an academic community that integrates the Christian faith with teaching, learning, research and college life in an environment characterized by academic excellence and a personal approach to students.
- King's offers the following degree programs: Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Commerce, Bachelor of Music and a Bachelor of Education (After Degree) in Elementary Education.
- Students can choose from the following disciplines: Biology, Chemistry, Commerce, Computing Science, English, Environmental Studies, History, Music, Philosophy, Politics, Economics, Psychology, Sociology, the Social Science Group and Theology.
- Opportunities to participate in the college community include choir, athletic teams, outdoors club, drama club, environmental club, International Student's Association, Mature Student Association, college newspaper, student government and more. Attendance at weekly chapel services is encouraged. Personal, career and pastoral counselling are available.
- The campus features a performance hall, full-size gymnasium, dining hall, greenhouse and a twelve hundred square-metre library that houses up to 100,000 volumes.
- Five open houses, called The King's View Fridays, are held every year.

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Lakeland College

"No Limits!"

Office of the Registrar

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- Lakeland College has campuses in Vermilion and Lloydminster and a Learning Centre in Strathcona County.
- Lakeland's small-campus atmosphere allows for individual interaction between faculty and students, and encourages student participation in extra-curricular activities and inter-collegiate sports. Modern, comfortable housing is available on the Vermilion and Lloydminster campuses. Students are able to access a number of services, including employment assistance, health services, daycare, tutoring, and counselling services.
- Lakeland College delivers over 60 certificate, diploma or applied degree programs in: Agricultural Sciences, Business Administration, Environmental Sciences, Health and Human Services, Interior Design, Apprenticeship and Trades Technology, Fire and Emergency Services, and Heavy Oil Operations Technician.
- The college also offers up to two years of credit in university transfer programming towards popular degrees at major universities in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Lethbridge Community College

"Learning For Life."

Advisors

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- Lethbridge Community College (LCC) is committed to providing high quality, lifelong learning opportunities accessible to every learner.
- The College offers 50+ programs through full-time admission in September, January and May each year. On-campus part-time admission is also welcomed. Distributed Learning Services offers over 120 individual courses and some complete programs through distance education.
- LCC programs are created with assistance from industry to ensure the skills students get are in high demand. Transfer agreements are in place with institutions across Canada and beyond.
- Learners credit the personalized attention and extensive support services they receive at LCC in helping them reach their academic goals.
- Over $600,000 is awarded annually to new and returning learners through LCC's Student Awards Office.
- The College's on-campus residence units provide modern, fully-furnished accommodations to more than 400 learners annually.
- Call LCC today for a campus tour or sign up for the Student for a Day program.

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Medicine Hat College

"Now anything is possible..."

Student Services

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- Medicine Hat College prides itself on the ability to meet many needs while providing personal attention and service. With 2,500 full-time students, the College is big enough to provide a great range of programs while continuing to offer classes averaging about 30 students.
- The wide range of opportunities include university transfer courses in approximately 40 majors as well as certificates and diplomas in 30 career fields. Transfer opportunities are available with universities both in Canada and the United States.
- Students may study at the Medicine Hat campus or the Brooks campus. Another facility is the Kipling Street campus which focuses exclusively on Power Engineering and has excellent hands-on laboratories and equipment.
- Several programs are unique within western Canada including Addictions Counselling, Deaf and Blind Support Services, and a Bachelor of Applied Science (Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership).
- Three new programs introduced to Medicine Hat College are Bachelor of Applied Health Sciences Paramedic, Horticultural Technician and Educational Support Services.
- The townhouse-style residence complex offers accommodations for single students.
- Over $300,000 in scholarships, awards and bursaries are given out each year to new and returning students.
- The College competes in the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference in men's and women's volleyball, soccer and basketball and has an active campus recreation program.
- Visit Medicine Hat College through the Student for a Day program and discover how the many programs and services will meet your needs.

Mount Royal College

"Education at work."

Enrollment Services

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Mount Royal College offers:

- four-year applied degree programs in Business Administration Accounting, Business and Entrepreneurship (International Business and Small Business, Sport and Recreation), Child Studies, Communications (Electronic Publishing, Journalism, Public Relations and Technical Communication), Computer Information Systems and Business, Ecotourism and Outdoor Leadership, Financial Services, Industrial Ecology, Interior Design, International Business and Supply Chain Management, Justice Studies, Nonprofit Studies and Policy Studies
- Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Nursing programs with Athabasca University
- two-year diploma and one-year certificate programs in a variety of career-focused areas as well as two-year university transfer programs in Arts, Commerce, Computer Science, Education, Engineering, Physical Education and Science
- personal and professional development opportunities, provided through the Faculty of Continuing Education and Extension, the Conservatory and the Languages Institute.

The 12,000 undergraduates who pursue a Mount Royal education each year are attracted by:

- the excellence and relevance of academic and applied programs
- small class sizes allowing for greater interaction with instructors and other students
- highly qualified and accessible instructors
- the personal attention and care shown by student support services
- affordable tuition
- the beautiful campus, recreational and residential facilities
- the demonstrated success of graduates in obtaining meaningful employment and becoming lifelong learners.

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NorQuest College

"With NorQuest you can."

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For more than 40 years, NorQuest has provided learners with academic upgrading and career programs. With daytime and evening classes, work experience opportunities, and individualized learning plans, NorQuest gives students more options in achieving their goals. NorQuest also offers programming and support for students with special needs.

Serving over 10,000 students annually, NorQuest is a recognized leader in providing a broad scope of employment and educational opportunities to adult learners.

NorQuest's core program areas include:

- Academic Upgrading
- Employment Preparation
- English Language Training
- Health Careers
- Human Service Careers
- Business Careers
- Industry and Service Careers

Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT)

"One of Canada's foremost technology-based educational institutions."

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The Northern Alberta Institute of Technology (NAIT) is a polytechnical institute with a reputation for providing graduates with the skills needed for success in the workplace. NAIT currently offers close to 100 full-time programs, centering on information technology, engineering technologies, applied sciences, health sciences, business, culinary arts and skilled trades. Academic upgrading and English as a Second Language (ESL) are also available. Full-time studies include one-year certificate programs, two-year diplomas and four-year applied degrees.

NAIT is Canada's leading apprenticeship trainer, educating more than 50 per cent of all apprentices in Alberta. Technical training is offered in 35 recognized apprenticeship trades.

NAIT's main campus is located north of downtown Edmonton, with three other campuses in the Capital region. Additional campus locations in Fairview, Peace River, Grande Prairie and High Level expand NAIT's program choices significantly.

Practical Career-related Education
NAIT's focus on career-related programs and real-world curriculum puts the Institute at the forefront of technical education. NAIT graduates are job-ready, having learned both theory and practical hands-on application. NAIT's small class sizes (comma) taught by instructors with direct industry experience, deliver personalized training. Programs prepare students to enter the workforce by utilizing industry-standard practices and equipment, and incorporating work experience components into the curriculum.

International Education
International students have attended NAIT for more than 35 years. Today, students come from more than 40 countries in all parts of the world. Whatever the country of origin, students are welcomed at NAIT campuses and familiarized with the many services that will help them succeed.

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Northern Lakes College

"Your Future."

Office of the Registrar

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- Northern Lakes College is an educational institution with a 35 year history of serving learners in rural, northern Alberta communities. With campus facilities in 29 communities and covering a service region of over 130,000 kilometers, the College offers programs to English, Cree and French speaking populations. The College strives to break down the barriers of location and educational experience by offering a diverse selection of programs.
- Programs range from academic upgrading, certificate and diploma programs, university degree programs and workforce development courses. Distance learning uses on-line technology, teleconference and face to face instruction as key delivery modes to reach students throughout the service region. As industry is demanding specialized training in an ever-changing global economy, Workforce Development is meeting those needs through customized training. Partnerships with industry, community stakeholders and other educational institutions have allowed Northern Lakes College to be competitive and offer programs that students need to meet educational goals or career needs.
- Regional campuses include Grouard and Slave Lake. The Grouard campus has an on-campus residence, student family housing, cafeteria and gymnasium. The Slave Lake campus includes a cafeteria, day care centre, leisure/aquatic centre and gymnasium.
- You are invited to view the Northern Lakes College website at **www.northernlakescollege.ca** or call the College at 1-866-652-3456 for more information.

Olds College

"The Place To Go Places."

Office of the Registrar

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Website: **www.oldscollege.ca**

- Now more than ever, Olds College is "The Place To Go Places". Olds College has provided the education and training to launch successful careers for many generations of learners since opening their doors 93 years ago. The College's focus has always been on the success of students and everything undertaken meets strict expectations that graduates will exceed market expectations as they begin their careers.
- Olds College refines and enhances curriculum by working closely with industry partners, so that students receive the skills that are in demand in the current workforce. In this way, Olds College graduates are highly employable.
- Olds College is very proud of their graduates as they contribute to the advancement of the agriculture, horticulture, land, environment and applied business sectors locally, national and internationally. Instructors excel as some of the leaders in their field and they are dedicated to nurturing students so they can reach their full potential. The Olds College "student first" philosophy shows itself in small class sizes, friendly atmosphere and the great community spirit we enjoy on campus.
- Olds College is about leadership, innovation, opportunity, trust and community. The Olds College community includes dozens of student clubs, ranging from fun athletic leagues to a nationally award-winning rodeo club. The campus houses a modern fitness centre, tennis courts, soccer fields and a swimming pool, as well as on-site residences, an extensive library and a beautiful botanic garden.
- Olds College's vision is to further expand world class programming and facilities through the Olds College Capital Campaign. Olds College is definitely "The Place To Go Places!"
- Choosing from all of your options can be tough, but Olds College can help! They are available to assist you in making your career choice. Call toll-free for more information at 1-800-661-6537 or visit Olds College on-line at **www.oldscollege.ca**

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Portage College

"Learning Makes the Difference."

Admissions

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Website: **www.portagec.ab.ca**

- Portage College provides education programs and services to Alberta learners with a focus on academic upgrading and career programs.
- Certificate and diploma career programs are offered in the areas of Business, Human Services, Native Cultural Arts, Trades and Technical, Health and Wellness, and General Studies. Unique programs offered include Community Health Representative, Native Cultural Arts, Forest Technician and Emergency Medical Technician.
- Portage College has transfer arrangements for certain courses and programs with other post-secondary institutions.
- The General Studies program allows a student to take the first two years of university at Portage College and transfer to any university within Alberta.
- The main campus includes a student residence, family housing, a childcare centre and a student activity centre (The Hub), which offers a variety of food services.
- Multiple student services available to students at all campuses include counselling, career and financial advising, and support from the Learning Assistance Centre.
- The College competes in the Alberta Colleges Athletic Conference (ACAC) in volleyball, golf, curling, cross-country skiing and running.
- Portage College offers over $110,000 in scholarships and awards to students, including entrance and athletic awards.
- Portage College encourages potential students to participate in the Student for a Day program, program showcases and campus tours. Phone the Educational Liaison Officer at (780) 623-5658 for details.

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Red Deer College

"Red Deer College is...Success."

Access Centre

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Website: **www.rdc.ab.ca**

Mission: The people Red Deer College (RDC) serves will have a foundation of knowledge and skills that enables them to develop to their full potential. Established 40 years ago, RDC now attracts approximately 6,500 full and part-time credit students annually.

Programs: RDC offers educational opportunities in Adult Development, Certificate and Diploma programs, Apprenticeship/ Trades/Industrial training, University Transfer, Degree Completion and Applied Degree programs.

Advantages:

- Instructors are approachable and students receive individual attention.
- Quality instruction was ranked the number one strength of RDC by 2003 graduates.
- A reputation for successful graduates who are well prepared personally and academically for new careers, further study and community leadership.
- Up-to-date technology.
- The atmosphere is friendly and personal.
- Small class sizes.
- Annual tuition fees that are more than $1,000 less than large universities.
- Ideally located midway between Calgary and Edmonton.
- Combining apartment-style accommodations, convenient location, park-like setting and reasonable prices, RDC residence facilities are safe and comfortable. RDC can accommodate more than 500 students in residence.
- The new Library Information Common features 165 computers with Internet and productivity software available to the public. Twenty wireless laptops are available for use in the common lounge area and 24 study carrels are wired for personal laptop Internet access. There are also five high-end stations featuring multimedia software applications and adaptive technologies.
- To arrange a campus tour, please contact the Recruitment Office at (403) 342-3148 or 1-888-732-4630.

Southern Alberta Institute of Technology (SAIT)

Customer Services

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Choosing a post-secondary program of study is a life-shaping choice. By choosing SAIT you are embarking on a journey that will launch your career and propel you towards your goals and dreams.

This year SAIT is celebrating 90 years of success and excellence in technical training and education. SAIT gauges success by how graduates fare once they have entered the workforce and by how their employers regard the skills and knowledge SAIT grads bring to the job.

Recent graduate employment statistics show that 98 per cent of SAIT grads were employed within nine months of graduating. A comparable 99 per cent of employers reported their satisfaction with the quality of SAIT's graduates and the Institute's training. SAIT is clearly providing students with the skills they require to successfully enter the workforce and providing business and industry with the talented employees they need to compete in today's marketplace.

The keys to success are simple: hands-on, practical training tailored to industry requirements. SAIT'S industry-centred curriculum design process is ISO 9001 registered, ensuring that SAIT consults with employers and business leaders on the development of every program.

At SAIT you will learn about things and how to do things—a perfect combination that will get your career off to a great start.

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St. Mary's University College

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St. Mary's University College is a Catholic, student-focused, liberal arts and sciences, teaching and research post-secondary institution. Through the synthesis of faith and reason the College invites and challenges all individuals of the community to become compassionate, thoughtful and resourceful members of society. Members of St. Mary's University College community strive to provide the most intellectually stimulating learning environment possible.

St. Mary's offers the following programs of study: university transfer, degree programs and programs for religious educators. Bachelor of Arts degrees are offered as three- or four-year programs. A Bachelor of Arts with a concentration in English and a Bachelor of Arts with a concentration in General Studies can be completed over three years. St. Mary's also offers a four-year Bachelor of Arts degree with a major in English. University transfer courses are available in over 20 academic disciplines.

A sense of community is a defining characteristic of the College. Students have the opportunity to participate in campus ministry, campus recreation, wellness programs and social justice initiatives.

The campus is located adjacent to Fish Creek Park in south Calgary and is easily accessed by public transportation. Campus tours can be arranged at any time of the year through the Admissions Office.

Taylor University College and Seminary

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Taylor University College is a centre of evangelical Christian higher education located in southwest Edmonton. As a private college with accredited degree programs, the university college provides students with the opportunity to obtain a university education in a distinctively Christian atmosphere.

Taylor University College offers the following degree programs which have been accredited by the Campus Alberta Quality Council (CAQC):

- a three-year Bachelor of Arts with various concentrations
- a four-year Bachelor of Arts with a major in Religion and Theology
- a four-year Bachelor of Arts with a major in Psychology
- a four-year Bachelor of Arts with a major in English
- a four-year Bachelor of Arts with a major in Social Sciences.

In addition, the college offers:

- two-year Associate of Arts university transfer programs in General Studies, Education and Music
- a one-year Discovery Christian Studies Certificate.

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University of Alberta

"...it makes sense."

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- The University of Alberta (U of A) has been a renowned centre of learning and research for almost 100 years with a history of excellence in teaching, research, services and athletics.
- The U of A is one of the largest universities in Canada with over 35,000 students. There are 17 faculties with over 60 undergraduate degrees, 200 majors and specializations, and approximately 5,000 individual courses.
- The U of A leads the nation in 3M Teaching Fellowship recipients and is one of Canada's top research-intensive universities.
- The library system is the second largest research library in the country.
- The U of A administers over $21 million in undergraduate scholarships annually. Grade 11 Honours students can apply online for the Grade 11 Academic Excellence scholarship at **www.registrar.ualberta.ca/awards**
- Residence Services houses over 4,000 students each year in dorm rooms to apartments, and houses. Visit **www.ualberta.ca/residences** for more information on residence life.
- The U of A Golden Bears and Pandas are among the top athletic teams in the country. The university has the largest number of Academic All-Canadians, which is an award recognizing both athletic and academic excellence.
- University staff can arrange a student for a day experience or a campus visit for you, including a meeting with a recruitment officer and a guided tour with a Campus Ambassador. Please call (780) 492-1956.

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University of Calgary

"Start Here. Succeed Anywhere."

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- The University of Calgary (U of C) is one of Canada's leading research universities with approximately 28,000 full- and part-time students.
- The U of C offers 83 undergraduate programs to ensure that graduates are well prepared for the ever-evolving global workplace.
- Many programs now offer an optional co-op/internship component that enables students to apply the theory of their discipline in a workplace setting.
- The university offers over 150 student exchange and work abroad programs to allow students to deepen their awareness of cultural diversities and understanding of global issues.
- The U of C has one of the first Library-Information Commons in Canada that is open to our students 24 hours a day, five days a week.
- The university allocates $9.3 million annually in scholarships and bursaries to entering, returning and transfer students (**www.ucalgary.ca/awards**). In addition, the U of C recognizes the academic achievement of entering students through the highly successful Scholars' Advantage program (**www.ucalgary.ca/pso/sa**).
- Located in one of Canada's most vibrant and fastest-growing cities, the University of Calgary's athletic facilities are second to none, with world-class facilities left as a living legacy from the 1988 Olympic Winter Games.
- The U of C Dinos have been playing to win since 1964. The Dinos have brought home 101 Canada West Conference Championships and 34 National Championships.
- To obtain further information, go to **www.starthere.ucalgary.ca**

University of Lethbridge

"An environment that excites and ignites learning."

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- At the University of Lethbridge, you can create an educational experience that is unique to you in an environment based on open discussion and free expression of ideas. In addition to exploring your individuality, you will develop relationships that will enrich your academic development and encourage you to challenge your understanding of the world.
- At the University of Lethbridge, you can choose from more than 150 programs offered in six faculties and schools. U of L's liberal education environment enables you to explore other areas of interest and helps you meet your career goals. All Uof L programs are available on the main campus in Lethbridge. Many courses are also offered on the Uof L campuses in Edmonton and Calgary for students seeking admission to the Faculty of Management via the post-diploma route.
- With more than 8,000 students, the U of L is big enough to ensure that you meet a lot of people, yet small enough to remain dedicated to small class sizes. U of L creates a personal learning experience for you filled with opportunities to interact with peers and world renowned faculty. 70 per cent of first-year classes have fewer than 50 students and 80 per cent of fourth-year classes have fewer than 50 students.
- Extensive co-op placements and internships, as well as other career-related services, ensure students have access to employment opportunities wherever possible.
- On-campus housing is available to provide students with enjoyable and friendly living experiences as well as ready access to the institution's many facilities, including state-of the-art computer labs and study centres (open 24 hours), two theatres, an art gallery and some of the city's finest athletic and recreational facilities.
- The U of L administers more than $1 million in scholarships and bursary funds that are awarded on the basis of academic achievement, financial need, artistic excellence, leadership experience, community involvement, and program of study.

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Features Chart

	Public Colleges								
	Alberta College of Art & Design	Bow Valley College	Grande Prairie Regional College	Grant MacEwan College	Keyano College	Lakeland College	Lethbridge Community College	Medicine Hat College	Mount Royal College
Child Care / Day-Care a day-care facility exists on campus		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
Counselling Services personal or career counselling to students	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Disabled Student Services assistance and support are provided to disabled students	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Extension / Continuing Education continuing education/extension courses, seminars, and/or programs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Food Services cafeterias and/or other eating establishments on campus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Health Sciences health services facility with a qualified RN and/or medical doctor present	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Housing there are on-campus residences for students	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Job Search Services one or more of the following services: job search advice, résumé writing workshops, employment listings (on- or off-campus), and interviewing/recruiting by employers on-campus	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Orientation Program Campus Tours, Open House(s), student for a day program, buddy system and/or orientation weeks/ sessions for prospective/new students	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Parking student parking is available on campus (the amount of available student parking is limited at many post-secondary institutions and most institutions charge a fee for parking)	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recreational / Fitness Facilities recreational options and fitness facilities for students in addition to organized competitive sports programs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Student Population the number of full-time students attending the post-secondary institution during the school year, as provided by each of the post-secondary institutions	1,094 (05-06)	3,913 (04-05)	2,279 (04-05)	16,955 (04-05)	2,414 (05-06)	2,057 (04-05)	7,279 (04-05)	2,600 (04-05)	13,000 (05-06)

*Full and part-time student population

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	Public Colleges					Technical		Private Colleges Offering Degrees								Universities				Banff
	NorQuest College	Northern Lakes College	Olds College	Portage College	Red Deer College	NAIT	SAIT	Alliance University College	Canadian Nazarene University College	Canadian University College	Concordia University College of Alberta	DeVry Institute of Technology-Calgary	The King's University College	St. Mary's University College	Taylor University College and Seminary	Athabasca University	University of Alberta	University of Calgary	University of Lethbridge	The Banff Centre
5,850 (05–06)		✓		✓	✓												✓	✓		
973 (04-05)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1,400 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1,000 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓		✓	✓		✓
6,500 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
18,500 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓										✓	✓	✓	✓
15,534 (04-05)	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓										✓	✓	✓	✓
285 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
200 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
400 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1,814+ (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
695 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
591 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
450 (04-05)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
250 (05-06)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
*31,574 (04-05)																				
35,389 (05-06)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23,414 (04-05)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7,987 (05-06)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4,324 (05-06)		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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How Do I Get There From Here?

Once you've decided:

- what type of program or training option would be best for you
- which post-secondary institutions offer that type of program and
- which post-secondary institution(s) you want to attend,

there are two remaining questions:

- How will you pay for your post-secondary education?
- How do you apply for admission to the program(s) of your choice?

How to Pay for Your Post-Secondary Education

Most post-secondary students pay for their education through some combination of the following strategies:

- savings from jobs, gifts or investments
- studying full-time during school terms and working during summer breaks and/or working part-time throughout the year
- studying part-time and working full-time
- living with their parents and/or receiving financial assistance (gifts or loans) from their parents or other family members
- finding out about grants, bursaries or scholarships for which they might qualify and applying for them
- taking co-operative education, apprenticeship or applied degree programs that include periods of paid employment
- applying for a government-sponsored student loan
- applying for a bank loan.

Bursaries

Bursaries are non-repayable awards given by universities, colleges and other sources to students who demonstrate financial need.

Grants

Grants are usually non-repayable awards based on need, provided by provincial or federal governments or private corporations.

Scholarships

Scholarships are cash awards given to students selected primarily on the basis of academic excellence. Some scholarships also recognize extracurricular activities, athletic ability or other achievements. Scholarships may be provided by government, educational institutions or from the private sector.

Sources of awards

Don't overlook the possibility that you may be eligible for awards, even if you don't have the best marks in your class. To begin looking for money you won't have to pay back later, visit your high school guidance office or the awards office at the post-secondary institution you plan to attend. Ask to see the awards information, particularly directories that list awards from different sources. Another excellent source of information is the Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) website at www.alis.gov.ab.ca Click on Scholarships and Bursaries then click on the Alberta Scholarship Programs and Scholarship Connections. You can search for information on over 300 scholarships, grants, bursaries and awards.

You and your family are probably connected in one way or another with a number of clubs, organizations, societies, foundations, associations, unions and

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companies that may offer awards for post-secondary students. For example, a large employer may offer bursaries for children of employees if the children have achieved a specified minimum average in their last year of high school. Find out what you might be eligible for by talking to family members and checking awards listings.

Government-sponsored student loans

Government-sponsored student loans are funds advanced to students attending post-secondary institutions on the understanding that the money will be repaid after studies are completed.

If you need information and application forms for full- or part-time government student loans, contact:

- the Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca** Students who are Alberta residents attending full-time post-secondary studies at a designated post-secondary institution may be eligible to apply on-line
- any high school
- the student awards office at any post-secondary institution in Alberta
- the Student Funding Contact Centre by phone:
  - in Edmonton call (780) 427-3722 or 1-800-222-6485 toll-free in Canada
  - e-mail: use the secure e-Contact service available at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca/studentsfinance**
- Alberta Human Resources and Employment service centres or Youth Connections offices located throughout the province (see the **Contacts** section)
- the "Entrance Counselling" interactive session on the EDULINX website at **www.edulinx.ca** that tells you everything you need to know about student loans.

Apply early—at least six weeks before your program begins—to ensure that you have the results of your application before starting school. If you will be starting a post-secondary program in September, it's a good idea to submit your student loan application to Students Finance by May 31. However, applications will be processed throughout the year.

The booklet *Money 101* is a great resource for figuring out how much money you will need to further your education and for exploring various strategies for financing your education. *Money 101* is available in high schools and career counselling centres across the province, through the Alberta Career Information Hotline (see **Contacts**) and on-line at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca/careershop**

How to Apply for Admission

Applications for admission procedures vary somewhat from one post-secondary institution to another. For example, some institutions require you to submit an official transcript of your high school marks along with a completed application form and the application fee (if any). Other institutions require that the transcript be sent directly from the issuing body.

If you attended high school in Alberta, you can obtain transcripts from Alberta Education:

- via the Internet at **www.education.gov.ab.ca/learning/studentservices/transcripts**
- in person, by mail or by fax
  Transcript Unit
  Alberta Education
  2nd Floor, 44 Capital Boulevard
  10044–108 Street
  Edmonton, Alberta T5J 5E6
  Fax: (780) 422-2137

You **cannot** order transcripts by telephone. However, an automated telephone line at (780) 427-5732 provides details about the required information to complete your request. If you are calling from outside the Edmonton area but within Alberta, you can call toll-free by dialing 310-0000, then (780) 427-5732. There is a fee for each official transcript.

Application forms and instructions are available from the post-secondary institution(s) you would like to attend. Most institutions also supply information about admission requirements and application procedures via the Internet.

The Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS) website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca** includes:

- an electronic admission application service, which is shared by a number of Alberta post-secondary institutions (click on On-line Student Services under the Learning section)
- links to Alberta post-secondary institutions that offer their own on-line application services
- links to the Alberta Education High School Transcript Request website.

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Application Deadlines 2007-2008

Public Colleges

Alberta College of Art & Design

First Day Applications Accepted
January 2, 2007

Last Day Applications Accepted
Advanced standing and First Year Studies
Early Consideration Admission
March 1, 2007 – Applications and supporting documents
March 15, 2007 – Portfolios due

Regular Admission
April 1, 2007 – Applications and supporting documents
April 15, 2007 – Portfolios due

Bow Valley College

First Day Applications Accepted
Continuous intake

Last Day Applications Accepted
Applications will be accepted until program is full or classes begin. Students can be admitted up to 1 week prior to the program start date if space is available. Students are encouraged to apply early as some programs are in high demand.

Grande Prairie Regional College

First Day Applications Accepted
October 1, 2006

Last Day Applications Accepted
Applications for Nursing and Power Engineering arriving after February 28, 2007 may not be considered. For all other programs, qualified applications are accepted on a first come, first served basis until programs/classes are full. Students are advised to apply early.

Grant MacEwan College

First Day Applications Accepted
Fall Term (September - December)
Application period opens October 1st of the previous year
Winter Term (January - April)
Application period opens February 1st of the previous year
Spring Summer Term (May - June, July - August)
Application period opens May 1st of the previous year

Last Day Applications Accepted
Applications will be accepted until the program closes or classes begin. Applicants are encouraged to apply early since many programs have limited enrolment and/or fill quickly. Entrance to Winter, Spring and Summer terms are limited to certain programs; however, some programs have multiple start dates. Contact the Office of the Registrar for a list of program offerings or refer to the website at **www.macewan.ca**

Keyano College

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round

Last Day Applications Accepted
First day of class, depending on availability

Lakeland College

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round. Applications for the Fall intake will not be processed until after October 1 of the previous year.

Last Day Applications Accepted
Applications are on a first applied, first qualified, first accepted basis. Exceptions are Animal Health Technology, Emergency Services Technician and Environmental Management Programs.

Lethbridge Community College

First Day Applications Accepted
Applications accepted year-round and offer multiple intakes for some programs. Apply early for high demand programs. On-line applications available. Please visit website.

Medicine Hat College

First Day Applications Accepted
Applications accepted year-round.

Mount Royal College

First Day Applications Accepted
December 1

Last Day Applications Accepted
July 15 – Some programs have earlier deadlines.

NorQuest College

First Day Applications Accepted
Continuous intake

Northern Lakes College

First Day Applications Accepted
January 1 – Applications reviewed.

Last Day Applications Accepted
May 1 – Applications will continue to be accepted after May 1 if there are still seats open.

Olds College

First Day Applications Accepted
Summer & Fall 2007 – November 1, 2006
Winter 2008 -- June 1, 2007 For the Advanced Farrier Science (Winter intake only).

Last Day Applications Accepted
March 1, 2007 – Application closing date for Animal Health Technology and Equine Science.
Fall 2007 – Applications will be accepted until quotas have been filled and then applicants will be placed on a wait list.
Winter 2008 – Applications will be accepted until quotas have been filled and then applicants will be placed on a wait list.
Application closing date for the Advanced Farrier Science program is Sept. 15, 2007

Portage College

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round

Last Day Applications Accepted
Acceptance made on a first qualified, first served basis.

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Public Colleges (continued)

Red Deer College

First Day Applications Accepted
Fall 2007 – October 2, 2006
Winter 2008 – April 3, 2007
Spring 2008 – August 1, 2007

Last Day Applications Accepted
Qualified applicants are admitted on a first come, first served basis until programs are full. Apply early. Some programs become competitive due to more applicants than available positions. Applicants to these oversubscribed programs have the opportunity to gain admission through academic achievement. See the Red Deer College website at **www.rdc.ab.ca** for details.

Private Colleges Offering Accredited Degree Programs

Alliance University College

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round. February 27 – Scholarships/ Financial Aid

Last Day Applications Accepted
Fall Term – August 1
Winter Term – December 1

Canadian Nazarene University College

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round. February 27 – Scholarships/ Financial Aid

Last Day Applications Accepted
Fall Term – August 15
Winter Term – December 1

Canadian University College

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round

Concordia University College of Alberta

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round

Last Day Applications Accepted
September Intake
May 1 – Bachelor of Environmental Health and Bachelor of Education after-degree
May 15 – Bachelor of Management
June 30 – Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science
January Intake
November 1 – Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science
May Intake
February 15 – Bachelor of Environmental Health

DeVry Institute of Technology (Calgary)

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round

The King's University College

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round
September intake only for Bachelor of Education (after-degree) program.

Last Day Applications Accepted
Fall Term – August 15
Winter Term – December 1

St. Mary's University College

Last Day Applications Accepted
Fall Term – August 15
Winter Term – December 1

Taylor University College and Seminary

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round

Last Day Applications Accepted
September 1, 2007

Technical Institutes

Northern Alberta Institute of Technology

First Day Applications Accepted
October 1, 2006

Last Day Applications Accepted
March 31, 2007 – Deadline for oversubscribed programs. Applications will be accepted for all other programs until the registration date specified for the program in the on-line calendar.

Southern Alberta Institute of Technology

First Day Applications Accepted
Fall – November 1 to August 28
Winter – August 1 to January 8
Spring – November 1 to May 7

Last Day Applications Accepted
Applications accepted up to and including the first day of classes for all programs.

Banff

The Banff Centre

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round until programs are full

Universities

Athabasca University

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round admission for undergraduate courses and programs
February 1 – Master of Counselling

Last Day Applications Accepted
March 1, October 1 – Master of Arts Integrated Studies
March 1 – Master of Distance Education
March 1 – Master of Health Studies
March 1 – Master of Nursing
March 1, October 1 – Master of Science, Computing and Information Systems
May 15 – Master of Counselling
June 15, October 15, February 15 – Master of Business Administration

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Universities (continued)

University of Alberta

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round

Last Day Applications Accepted
November 1 – Dentistry*, Medicine*, Law*
February 1 – Nursing
March 1 – Medical Laboratory Science*, Physical Education & Recreation, Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences*, Business* (all undergraduate programs), Dental Hygiene Diploma *, BSc Dental Hygiene Specialization Post-Degree Completion*, Education*
April 1 – Rehabilitation Medicine*, BSc in Occupational Therapy*, Post-Diploma Degree Completion (Occupational Therapy)*
May 1 – Agriculture, Forestry & Home Economics, Engineering, Native Studies, Science, Arts, Faculté Saint-Jean
August 1 - Augustana
Exceptions:

- January 11 – BFA (Drama) in Acting* audition application
- February 1 – Bilingual BSc Nursing
- March 1 – BA Criminology* including references, Bilingual BComm*
- April 1 – BFA Drama—Theatre Design*portfolio submission
- June 1 – Diploma in Education*
- BEd (Adult Education Route) – Contact Faculty
- No direct entry from Grade 12

*Note: Interim/Unofficial Documents Deadlines vary for each program and are different from the Application Deadlines.

University of Calgary

First Day Applications Accepted
November 1 – Law and Medicine – contact faculty directly for details

Last Day Applications Accepted
November 15 – Medicine (MD)
February 1 – Law
April 1 – All other faculties, plus B.HSc. in Medicine

University of Lethbridge

First Day Applications Accepted
Year-round.

Last Day Applications Accepted
For September (Fall) Admission*
June 1 – Arts, Science, Education, Fine Arts, Health Sciences and Management.
Exceptions:

- March 1 – Early Admission, Pre-Engineering, BNursing (NESA), MA, MSc (Management), PhD
- May 1 – BEd, including Combined Degrees with BEd, BSc (Environmental Science) excluding Post-Diploma BSc
- May 15 – Off-shore international students
- July 1 – BNursing (Post-Diploma)
- August 15 – English for Academic Purposes

For January (Spring) Admission*
October 15 – Arts, Science, Education, Fine Arts, Health Sciences and Management.
Exceptions:

- September 15 – Off-shore international students
- October 1 – MA, MSc, PhD
- December 1 – BNursing (Post-Diploma)
- No January Admission for Pre Engineering, Bachelor of Education and BNursing (NESA)

For Summer Admission
February 1 – MEd (General)
February 1 – alternate summer semesters only. MEd (Counselling Psychology), MEd (Educational Leadership)
March 1 – MA, MSc, PhD
April 15 – English for Academic Purposes

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Public Colleges

Alberta College of Art & Design
Registrar
1407–14 Avenue NW
Calgary, Alberta T2N 4R3
Phone: (403) 284-7617 or
1-800-251-8290 toll-free
Fax: (403) 284-7644
E-mail: admissions@acad.ab.ca
Website: **www.acad.ab.ca**

Bow Valley College
Registrar
332–6 Avenue SE
Calgary, Alberta T2G 4S6
Phone: (403) 410-1400 or
1-866-428-2669 toll-free
Fax: (403) 297-4887
E-mail: info@bowvalleycollege.ca
Website: **www.bowvalleycollege.ca**

Grande Prairie Regional College
Registrar
10726–106 Avenue
Grande Prairie, Alberta T8V 4C4
Phone: (780) 539-2944 or
1-888-539-4772 toll-free
Fax: (780) 539-2832
E-mail: studentinfo@gprc.ab.ca
Website: **www.gprc.ab.ca**

Grant MacEwan College
Registrar
Box 1796, 10700–104 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2P2
Phone: (780) 497-5140 or
1-888-497-4622 toll-free
Fax: (780) 497-5001
E-mail: info@macewan.ca
Website: **www.macewan.ca**

Keyano College
Registrar
8115 Franklin Avenue
Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 2H7
Phone: (780) 791-4800 or
1-800-251-1408 toll-free
Fax: (780) 791-4952
E-mail: registrar@keyano.ca
Website: **www.keyano.ca**

Lakeland College
Registrar
5707–47 Avenue West
Vermilion, Alberta T9X 2B5
Phone: (780) 853-8420 or
1-800-661-6490 toll-free
Fax: (780) 853-2955
E-mail: admissions@lakelandc.ab.ca
Website: **www.lakelandc.ab.ca**

Lethbridge Community College
Advisors
3000 College Drive South
Lethbridge, Alberta T1K 1L6
Phone: (403) 320-3323 or
1-800-572-0103 toll-free
Fax: (403) 317-3503
E-mail: advisor@lethbridgecollege.ab.ca
Website: **www.lethbridgecollege.ab.ca**

Medicine Hat College
Student Services
299 College Drive SE
Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 3Y6
Phone: (403) 529-3819 or
1-866-282-8394 toll-free
Fax: (403) 504-3521
E-mail: info@acd.mhc.ab.ca
Website: **www.mhc.ab.ca**

Mount Royal College
Enrolment Services
4825 Mount Royal Gate SW
Calgary, Alberta T3E 6K6
Phone: (403) 440-5000
Fax: (403) 440-7252
E-mail: www.ask.mtroyal.ca
Website: **www.mtroyal.ca**

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Fax: (780) 539-2832
E-mail: studentinfo@gprc.ab.ca
Website: **www.gprc.ab.ca**

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Box 1796, 10700–104 Avenue
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 2P2
Phone: (780) 497-5140 or
1-888-497-4622 toll-free
Fax: (780) 497-5001
E-mail: info@macewan.ca
Website: **www.macewan.ca**

Keyano College

Registrar
8115 Franklin Avenue
Fort McMurray, Alberta T9H 2H7
Phone: (780) 791-4800 or
1-800-251-1408 toll-free
Fax: (780) 791-4952
E-mail: registrar@keyano.ca
Website: **www.keyano.ca**

Lakeland College

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5707–47 Avenue West
Vermilion, Alberta T9X 2B5
Phone: (780) 853-8420 or
1-800-661-6490 toll-free
Fax: (780) 853-2955
E-mail: admissions@lakelandc.ab.ca
Website: **www.lakelandc.ab.ca**

Lethbridge Community College

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3000 College Drive South
Lethbridge, Alberta T1K 1L6
Phone: (403) 320-3323 or
1-800-572-0103 toll-free
Fax: (403) 317-3503
E-mail: advisor@lethbridgecollege.ab.ca
Website: **www.lethbridgecollege.ab.ca**

Medicine Hat College

Student Services
299 College Drive SE
Medicine Hat, Alberta T1A 3Y6
Phone: (403) 529-3819 or
1-866-282-8394 toll-free
Fax: (403) 504-3521
E-mail: info@acd.mhc.ab.ca
Website: **www.mhc.ab.ca**

Mount Royal College

Enrolment Services
4825 Mount Royal Gate SW
Calgary, Alberta T3E 6K6
Phone: (403) 440-5000
Fax: (403) 440-7252
E-mail: www.ask.mtroyal.ca
Website: **www.mtroyal.ca**

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NorQuest College
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10215–108 Street
Edmonton, Alberta T5J 1L6
Phone: (780) 644-6000
Fax: (780) 644-6013
E-mail: info@norquest.ca
Website: **www.norquest.ca**

Northern Lakes College
Registrar
Grouard Campus, Bag 3000
Grouard, Alberta T0G 1C0
Phone: (780) 751-3200 or
1-866-652-3456 toll-free
Fax: (780) 849-2570
E-mail: info@northernlakescollege.ca
Website: **www.northernlakescollege.ca**

Olds College
Registrar
4500–50 Street
Olds, Alberta T4H 1R6
Phone: (403) 556-8281,
(403) 556-4663 or
1-800-661-6537 toll-free
Fax: (403) 556-4711
E-mail: info@oldscollege.ca
Website: **www.oldscollege.ca**

Portage College
Admissions
P.O. Box 417
9531–94 Avenue
Lac La Biche, Alberta T0A 2C0
Phone: (780) 623-5580 or
1-866-623-5551 toll-free
Fax: (780) 623-5519
E-mail: info@portagecollege.ca
Website: **www.portagec.ab.ca**

Red Deer College
Access Centre
Box 5005
100 College Boulevard
Red Deer, Alberta T4N 5H5
Phone: (403) 342-3400 or
1-888-732-4630 toll-free
Fax: (403) 340-8940
E-mail: inquire@rdc.ab.ca
Website: **www.rdc.ab.ca**

Private Colleges Offering Accredited Degree Programs

Alliance University College
Enrolment Management
630, 833–4 Avenue SW
Calgary, Alberta T2P 3T5
Phone: (403) 410-2900 or
1-800-461-1222 toll-free
Fax: (403) 571-2556
E-mail: enrolment@auc-nuc.ca
Website: **www.auc-nuc.ca**

Canadian Nazarene University College
Recruitment Office
610, 833–4 Avenue SW
Calgary, Alberta T2P 3T5
Phone: (403) 410-2900 or
1-800-461-1222 toll-free
Fax: (403) 571-2556
E-mail: enrolment@auc-nuc.ca
Website: **www.auc-nuc.ca**

Canadian University College
Admissions
5415 College Avenue
Lacombe, Alberta T4L 2E5
Phone: (403) 782-3381, ext. 4147 or
1-800-661-8129 toll-free
Fax: (403) 782-2455
E-mail: admissions@cauc.ca
Website: **www.cauc.ca**

Concordia University College of Alberta
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7128 Ada Boulevard
Edmonton, Alberta T5B 4E4
Phone: (780) 479-9220 or
1-866-479-5200 toll-free
Fax: (780) 378-8460
E-mail: admits@concordia.ab.ca
Website: **www.concordia.ab.ca**

DeVry Institute of Technology (Calgary)
Admissions
2700–3 Avenue SE
Calgary, Alberta T2A 7W4
Phone: (403) 235-3450 or
1-800-363-5558, ext. 3161 toll-free
Fax: (403) 207-6233
E-mail: admissionsinfo@mail.cal.devry.ca
Website: **www.cal.devry.ca**

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Alberta Human Resources and Employment service centres are located throughout the province. They provide information about occupations, career options, education programs, funding services and finding work. Many offices have a career resource centre with books, newspapers, magazines, software and audiovisual materials. They also may have computers for Internet use and word processing, as well as phones and fax machines to use with your work search. You can also talk to a career consultant. These services may be offered by other agencies in your community. Call the Alberta Career Information Hotline to find the office closest to you.

Alberta Career Information Hotline

Call the Hotline for answers to your questions about:

- career planning
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- occupations
- work search skills
- the workplace.

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Website: **www.alis.gov.ab.ca/hotline**

Youth Connections

Youth Connections offices provide career and employment services for people between the ages of 16 and 24. Offices are located in communities across Alberta. Visit the Youth Connections website at **www.youthconnections.gov.ab.ca** or contact the Alberta Career Information Hotline for the location nearest you.

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Alberta Council on Admissions and Transfer (ACAT)

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Time to Choose provides information about post-secondary education programs in Alberta. Many other useful resources are also available to help you. Being informed is the key as you plan your career path, choose an educational program and apply your training in the workforce.

The world of work is dynamic and ever changing, just as you are. There is a vast array of occupational and educational opportunities available today. The following print resources can help you make informed decisions and support you on your journey. These publications are available free of charge to Alberta and NWT residents. To get your copy:

- visit an Alberta Human Resources and Employment service centre or Youth Connections office (see Contacts section)
- visit the e-CareerShop website at **www.alis.gov.ab.ca/careershop**
- call the Alberta Career Information Hotline (see **Contacts** section).

More about you

Focus on yourself. Spend time exploring and defining the interests, skills and values that define your career decisions. Use these resources as you explore and identify career options that are right for you!

Multiple Choices: Planning your career for the 21st century
Explore the career-building knowledge and skills that can help you make decisions. Practical exercises help you clarify your dreams, identify your skills and assets and recognize attitudes and beliefs that either support or hinder you on your life's journey. By the end of the book you will have identified a number of career possibilities to help you live the life you want.

Radical Change in the World of Work: The workbook
In this self-directed workbook you explore the range of work options that are available to you. It covers virtually everything needed for today's career building: self-analysis, visioning, attitudes and beliefs about work, relationship building and exploration of work alternatives. Themes include the 5Ps of planning: pride, passion, purpose, performance and poise.

Skills Plus Handbook: Discovering your personal career assets
This self-assessment handbook of activities and exercises will help you learn about your skills and other assets that make you adaptable in today's world of work. You will develop a summary of your personal assets that will provide a framework for your future career choices.

Finding Out: How to get the information you need to make the choices you want
This book makes information gathering a simple process. Start with an inventory of your desires, interests, skills and values. Then list career options that match. Identify your questions and begin to look for answers! You'll find tips and examples of situations using research to get their career planning on target.

Volunteering: How to build your career by helping others
Topics include the many benefits volunteering offers you as a career-building strategy for gaining experience, adding new skills, making contacts and researching career ideas.

Lasting Gifts: Parents, teens and the career journey
Practical exercises help parents and teens sort out respective values and dreams, find and become allies, track skills and competencies, and engage in lifelong learning.

Seekers and Storytellers: Aboriginal role models share their career journeys
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More about education and training planning

Money 101: Budgeting basics for further education
How are you going to pay for your post-secondary studies? Money 101 helps you set personal goals, figure out what your education will cost and suggests ways to pay for it. Find information on debt and student loans, budgeting, the ABC's of banking, avoiding the pitfalls of credit cards and stretching your $$$s.

The Investigator
A great reference tool! This booklet is filled with useful Alberta information, phone numbers and websites that provide career planning, education, work search and workplace information.

Training for Work
Looking for creative alternatives to the traditional full-time classroom setting? Maximize your training options and consider how mentoring, volunteering, self-study, short-term courses or on-the-job training will enhance your employability.

More about work search

Advanced Techniques for Work Search
If you are a self-directed adult with post-secondary education or work experience, this advanced workbook will help improve your work search strategies. Topics include marketing tools such as portfolios, proposals, résumés and curriculum vitaes. The workbook also includes identifying your work culture and management style preferences and successfully negotiating job offers.

Job Seeker's Handbook: An introductory guide to finding work
Are you new to the job search process? This basic guide to finding entry-level work is packed with tips, checklists, exercises, sample letters and résumés that lead you through the basics of finding work.

Making Sense of Labour Market Information
If you're not sure what labour market information is, why you need it or where to find it, then this book is for you. It provides examples of how to use labour market information when making career, learning or employment decisions.

Employment Series for Persons with Disabilities: Tips for job seekers
This book provides information for the person with a disability looking for work. Full of practical tips and ideas, it will help you identify and overcome challenges, create opportunities and deal with typical concerns and questions relating to work search and employment.

Self-Employment: Is it for me?
Thinking of becoming your own boss? This book outlines the benefits and challenges of self-employment and examines the motivation, skills, traits and background of successful entrepreneurs. Self-assessment exercises help you determine if you share these characteristics or how you might acquire some of them. It also explores the various forms of self-employment and how to get started in business.

Useful Websites

Alberta Learning Information Service (ALIS)
www.alis.gov.ab.ca
ALIS is Alberta's leading on-line gateway to career, learning and employment information and services. It includes information about Student Finance, Scholarship Programs, occupational profiles (OCCinfo), educational program information (EDinfo), career planning information (CAREERinsite), certification and registration requirements for employment (CERTinfo), wage and salary information (WAGEinfo), Career Information Hotline, e-CareerShop catalogue and more.

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More about learning, education and training

EDinfo on ALIS
www.alis.gov.ab.ca/edinfo
Search for up-to-date program information about post-secondary programs, admission requirements and transfer options in Alberta and distance education programs in western Canada.

CERTinfo on ALIS
www.alis.gov.ab.ca/certinfo
Find answers to your questions about certification and registration requirements for regulated occupations in Alberta.

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Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training
www.tradesecrets.gov.ab.ca
The Alberta Apprenticeship and Industry Training website provides information about trades and designated occupations in Alberta.

CanLearn Interactive
www.canlearn.ca
Discover information and interactive planning tools you need to explore learning and educational opportunities, research occupations, develop learning strategies and create the financial plans to achieve your goals.

School Finder
www.schoolfinder.com
This interactive site provides students, parents and counsellors with information on colleges, universities, finances and careers.

Campus Starter
www.campusstarter.com
If you are a student planning your post-secondary education, this Canadian magazine is a must-read. Discover columns, features, contests and experts who can answer your questions.

Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) - Universities and Programs of Study
www.aucc.ca/can_uni/index_e.html
Once you have decided what you want to study, you can either locate a university by name, by province or by program. The university descriptions include a profile, history, enrolment numbers, Canadian and international fees and a link to their website.

Study Abroad
www.studyabroad.com
If you are considering studying outside of Canada, this site includes links to study abroad programs in more than 100 countries.

International Youth Programs
www.fac-aec.gc.ca
The Department of Foreign Affairs Canada website provides information for young Canadians to work or study abroad.

More about funding your education

Students Finance on ALIS
www.alis.gov.ab.ca/studentsfinance
Find sources of financial assistance for post-secondary education and training. Apply on-line, find out about part-time funding, access video clips and on-line publications.

Scholarships and Bursaries on ALIS
www.alis.gov.ab.ca/scholarships
Check out Alberta scholarship and bursary information for post-secondary education. Use the Scholarships On-line search feature, access application forms, update your application information and more.

Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation
www.millenniumscholarships.ca
The Canada Millennium Scholarships Foundation website provides information on Millennium Scholarships.

EDULINX Canada
www.edulinx.ca
As a student loan service provider, this website provides information to help students make decisions about their education financing.

ScholarshipsCanada
www.scholarshipscanada.com
This website provides a searchable database that contains scholarship information of interest to Canadian students.

StudentAwards
www.studentawards.com
Discover an up-to-date database of scholarships, bursaries, grants, fellowships and a search engine that matches student profiles with suitable awards.

Your Money Network—There's Something About Money
www.yourmoney.cba.ca
An interactive and educational website for young Canadians that provides a basic understanding of finances. It includes information about budgeting, credit management, the economy, money management, planning your future and more.

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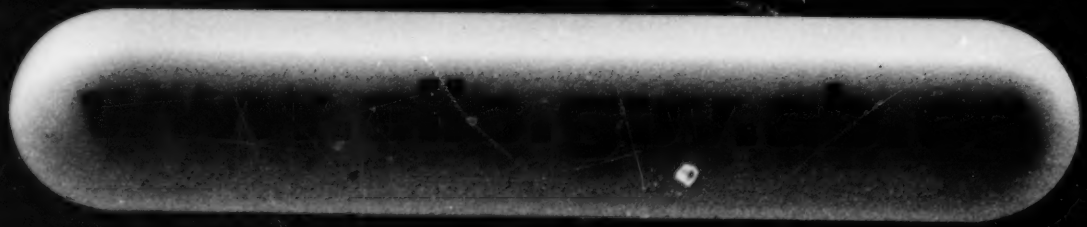

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